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### Latest Line Doesn't Sell In Moscow's Street Stalls

By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

MOSCOW - At 4:00 P.M., as the winter sky darkens, thousands of traders from the giant flea-market at the Luzhniki Sports Stadium here trudge homeward through the dirt and slush, lugging bags and suitcases stuffed with unsold goods. For many Russians, this is the "market" that the politicians have been talking about in the Kremlin for all these weeks. It is not a free exchange of goods and services, it is not checking accounts or credit

Germany gave Russia a break on its debt repayments. Page 2.

cards, or even unemployment benefits and unpaid bills. It is standing in the cold for bours on end, holding up cheap cosmetics, or sweaters imported from Turkey, or the odd pair of boots or shoes, waiting for neone to come and buy.

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During the two-week-long battle at the Congress of People's Deputies, President Boris N. Yeltsin's conservative opposition turned on this brisk, if crude retail trade as a symptom of what had gone wrong with the economic program. On Monday, the country's new prime minister, Viktor S. Chernomyrdin, seemed to echo their line when in his first television interview he declared that he wanted the country to move to a real market and not a "bazaar."

"Our country, with its powerful infra-structure, with its wealth in resources, must not become a country of small shopkeepers," he said, in a comment that sent a chill through the rickety network of street fairs, renovated kiosks and commercial shops that have sprung up in Moscow and other cities over the last year.

It may be entry-level capitalism, but after 11 months of economic change, for many people, trading is simply a way of surviving. So, while world leaders and local commentators excitedly pondered the resignation of Yegor T. Gaidar, the economic program's architect, and the appointment of Mr. Chernomyrdin in his stead, here at Luzhniki the news registered in more sullen ways, as traders took stock of the day's take.

Pavel, a 28-year-old aviation mechanic, came the closest to testing the reaction to the latest news from the Kremlin. Each day, he comes to Luzhniki to buy privatization vouchers, pieces of paper issued to See MARKET, Page 6

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Supporters of Prime Minister Milan Panic at a rally in Krusevac, Serbia, on Wednesday. Mr. Panic is running for president against the hard-line incumbent, Slobodan Milosevic.

### OECD, Seeing Fast Recovery, Tells Clinton: Go Slowly

By Carl Gewirtz

PARIS — Revising forecasts prepared a month ago but only just published, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Devel-opment said Wednesday that a more rapid recovery than expected was now under way in the United States, while growth prospects had grown dimmer in both Germany and Japan.

The OECD, one of the leading monitors of international economic performance, also warned the incoming Clinton administration

"Caution is required," said Kumiharu Shige-

hara, the OECD's chief economist, presenting a President-elect Clinton inc leaders, but they remain wary. Page 3.

revised version of the organization's semiannual Economic Outlook. "Any large fiscal stimuhis at this stage of the economic cycle runs the risk of being pro-cyclical." Plainly speaking,

Mr. Shigehara also advised the Federal Reserve Board, the U.S. central bank, to stand ready to alter its easy-credit policies.

He projected U.S. growth next year at almost 3 percent, up from 1.8 percent this year and about half a percentage point higher than the projection in the Economic Outlook issued Wednesday. The report on Wednesday was

growth forecast for Germany.

A rough estimate, he said, is that German growth in 1993 could be "somewhat more than half a percentage point lower" than the 1.2 percent figure contained in the report.

Just this week, a leading German economic institute said the country's economy was heading faster and deeper into a recession than expected. The report, by the Ifo Institute for Economic Research, said West German gross

### Israel Expected To Expel 380 Hamas Militants

By David Hoffman

JERUSALEM - Shaken by the killing of four Israeli soldiers and a policeman, the gov-ernment of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has approved the deportation to southern Lebanon of 380 activists and followers of Hamas, the Islamic Resistance Movement, which claimed responsibility for the deaths, Israeli sources

said Wednesday.

The deportation would be the largest single group exile ever carried out by Israel, and is certain to set off international criticism. But the decision received broad support from Mr. Rabin's cabinet, and is part of what sources described as a coming severe crackdown by Israel on the political, financial and military operations of Hamas, and the smaller Islamic Jihad. Although details of the crackdown were not

announced, it was learned that the government was also examining ways to cut the financial pipeline to Hamas from Iran and Saudi Arabia, and may revise the rules governing when Israeli soldiers can shoot at armed guerrillas. Israeli officials acknowledged that deporta-

tions have been highly controversial in the past, and said they were bracing for international criticism. But the Israeli officials said the decisions were warranted in light of the recent ambushes and kidnappings against Israeli tar-gets by Hamas. In addition, they speculated that weakening the Hamas extremists might help moderate Palestinians involved in the Middle East peace talks.

"The world should not be surprised if this time we'll have to take very tough measures," Mr. Rabin said after authorities discovered the corpse of a kidnapped border policeman, Sergeant Major Nissim Toledano, 29, who was buried Wednesday in Haifa.

A senior Israeli defense official said of the government's planned crackdown: "From a le-

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### U.S. Names 7 For Trial as Criminals in **Balkans War**

Eagleburger Also Wants Serb Political Leaders To Be Held Accountable

By Don Oberdorfer

Washington Post Service
GENEVA — The United States stepped up
its pressure on Wednesday for United Nationsbacked military action to clear the skies over Bosnia and said Serbian leaders should eventu ally be tried as war criminals.

Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger speaking to a conference of 29 nations here, declared that "more aggressive measures" must be considered to stop "an intolerable and dete-riorating situation inside the former Yugosla-

Referring to Nazi Germany's extermination of Jews in World War II, Mr. Eagleburger said the international community had "a moral and historical obligation not to stand back a second time in this century while a people faces obliter-

Citing "crimes against humanity" ranging from civilian deaths in the siege of Sarajevo to mass executions of Bosnian Muslims, Mr. Eagleburger listed seven men who supervised or

carried out killings, all but two of them Serbs. He went on to declare that those with "political and command responsibility" for these crimes should be tried under international law, and named Serbia's president, Slobodan Milosevic, the Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzie and General Ratko Mladie, commander of the Bosnian Serb military forces.

Mr. Karadzic was in the former League of Nations building here, where the UN-spon-sored conference was held, during Mr. Eagleburger's speech and passed the U.S. secretary of state in a hallway without speaking to him. The seven men cited by Mr. Eagleburger for

"crimes against humanity" are:

Borislav Herak, a Bosnian Serb who was arrested by Bosnian troops and has confessed to killing more than 230 civilians. He is expect-ed to be tried under the old Yugoslav criminal

code, and faces a possible death sentence. Two members of a Croatian paramilitary force known as "Adil" and "Arif." They are accused killing 50 Serbian women and children in a bus convoy.

 Zeljko Raznjatovic, leader of the Serbian Tigers" paramilitary force that is accused of

the mass murders of up to 3,000 civilians.

• Vojislav Seselij, leader of the Serbian "Chetniks" paramilitary group that is accused of atrocities in Brcko and other Bosnian towns. Drago Prcac, commander of the Serb-rut iarska delention camp and torture took place.

 Adem Delic, commander of the Croat-run Celebici camp, where at least 15 Serbs were beaten to death in August.

Lord Owen, co-chairman of the conference and co-negotiator on the Balkans with Cyrus R. Vance, announced that he and Mr. Vance were inviting Mr. Karadzic and his senior military commander, presumably General Mładic, to Geneva on Jan. 2 for negotiations aimed at settling the war.

Mr. Vance was also at odds with Mr. Eagleburger in his analysis of the situation in the Balkans and his view of the military actions being proposed by the United States, which has now been joined by France and other nations.
Rather than a deteriorating situation, as seen

by Mr. Eagleburger, Mr. Vance said, "the over-all level of violence has been reduced" in Bosnia, although some fighting remains. This assessment was shared by some UN military officials at the conference and by the UN secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, Mr. Butros Ghali said in a written message that "the intensity of hostilities has been reduced."

Mr. Vance expressed strong reservations about enforcement of the "no-fly" zone, which Mr. Eagleburger advocated more strongly Wednesday than in the past.

According to Mr. Vance. UN officers in the Balkans have not confirmed that any of the more than 200 aircraft in violation of the UN ban on flights over Bosnia have been used in an offensive role. He expressed belief that military action to enforce the flight ban would endanger UN peacekeeping troops and aid workers on

Asked about the conflict between his assess-ment and that of Mr. Vance and UN military officials, Mr. Eagleburger conceded that UN accomplishments in the Balkans were "not insignificant" and agreed that in some ways the United Nations peacekeepers and negotiators "have moderated the conflict." He said that at the same time, however, "Bosnian Serbs have taken more territory, ethnic cleansing has proceeded, there are a lot of refugees" and there is no end to the war in sight.

"I don't accept an argument that says overall the situation is better," Mr. Eagleburger said. "I think overall the situation is worse.

Mr. Eagleburger said he detected a clear trend toward international support for a Security Council resolution to enforce the air exclusion zone. Such a measure could authorize U.S. and other forces to shoot down Serbian military aircraft or even bomb military airfields.

### Marines: 'The Major Tribe' Feeding Somalis Is 2d to Playing Cop

By Keith B. Richburg

Washington Post Service
MOGADISHU, Somalia — One week after the first U.S. Marines swept ashore here, Americans seem to have emerged as Somalia's newest dominant armed faction, acting alternately as police force, collector of loose firearms and political intermediary between warring clans. The U.S. mission in this country initially was described as strictly humanitarian: to open routes to outlying areas where thousands of Somalis are starving to death each day, and to protect relief supplies sent there. But after seven days, the American role has evolved rapidly on the political front while the humanitarian

mission has lagged.
In their first 24 hours on the ground, the Americans, through their special envoy, Robert B. Oakley, managed to arrange the first meeting between Mogadishu's two feuding warlords. U.S. troops established control over the capital's port, its international airport and the old U.S. Embassy compound. Marines were searching vehicles and confiscating weapons - and contraband drugs -at checkpoints in the areas

under U.S. control. American troops began extended patrols throughout the city, in armored vehicles, with helicopters, and on foot at night — all as a "show of force" to establish their presence emphatically. Jim Shanor, a consultant with the UN Devel-

opment Program, said the warring clan factions.

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that have reduced Somalia to a state of chaos in two years have "wanted a major tribe to come in, and the Americans are the major tribe." The first U.S. military convoy has reached Baidoa, a feeding center in the heart of Somalia's famine belt inhabited by thousands of desperately hungry people — and by armed gangs who have blocked aid shipments. The convoy comprised 70 vehicles, including trucks and armored personnel carriers, but carried not an ounce of food, except provisions for the

U.S. officials say they are satisfied with the See MISSION, Page 6



A child keeping up with the action Wednesday as Baidoa's airport was secured. Page 6.

### IBM's Slide: An Opening for Innovative Alliances

By John Markoff

New York Times Service NEW YORK - The big cutback that IBM announced this week has underscored what some technology specialists have been saying for several years: While the world's largest computer maker remains a huge enterprise, it no longer can be expected to set the pace for

technological innovation in the United States. International Business Machines Corp. will slash its development spending by \$1 billion, or 17 percent, next year, an amount unprecedented in its history. The company spent about \$6.6 billion in 1991, the last year for which figures

are available. Analysts believe it will spend a similar amount this year. "IBM as the IBM that defined computing is over; it's gone," said Nathan Myrthvold, Mi-

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crosoft Corp.'s vice president of advanced technology and business development. "As a result of new technology developments during the past 10 years, IBM's role in the computer industry has fundamentally changed.

The consequence is that what was once one of the world's most vaunted high-tech companies has been reduced to the role of follower,

frequently responding slowly to the major tech-nological forces reshaping the industry.

It has become increasingly clear that IBM will no longer be the technological bulwark against overseas economic competition, a role it often played in the past with such inventions as the Winchester disk drive for data storage, a seminal achievement in 1973.

But rather than being a sign for despair, some technology specialists say that IBM's decline may instead mark the emergence of a new model for computer and technology development in the United States that will become powerful in its own right. Alliances of smaller,

more innovative companies — sometimes working with government support and sometimes on their own --- will come together quickly to attack crucial problems.

R. Andrew Heller, a former IBM engineer who now runs a small company in Silicon Valley in California, said, "We have watched while a small number of very important devel-opment organizations in the United States, including IBM, Bell Laboratories and Xerox. have slowly taken apart the engines behind "But we're seeing new centers of innovation

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### Kiosk

#### Paris Calls GATT Deal 'Null'

The European Community on Wednesday filed its offer to cut agricultural subsidies under the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, but France rejected the proposal.

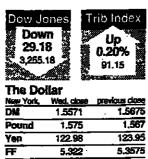
The French foreign minister, Roland Dumas, said in

Geneva that France considered the offer to be "null and He called the "two commissioners" of the EC who had

filed the document "faithless agents," an allusion to Frans Andriessen and Ray McSharry, the commissioners who had negotiated the deal with Washington. (Page 9)

General News The head of the CIA said that Iraq was hiding a nu-clear capability. Page 2.

Exxon signed a deal to develop a huge gas field off Indonesia. Page 15.



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# No Sex, Please-We're Polish (Members of Parliament)

By Stephen Engelberg
New York Times Service WARSAW - After three years of democracy in which politicians' private lives were largely their own business. Poles are suddenly reading and talking about the sexual proclivities of their lawmakers

The gossip, which has caused much embarrassment, has been prompted by a recent book purporting to detail salacious activities of Poland's legislators. It is titled "Protic Immuni-

ty: The Memoirs of Anastazja P." The author-wrote that she posed last summer as a foreign correspondent for the French daily Le Figaro and took a succession of Polish lawmakers as lovers.

Polish radio reported that "Erotic Immunity" is the best-selling book in the country, with 200,000 copies gone within two days of its arrival in the stores. But it is the book's timing

that has prompted the greatest speculation. A woman named Marzena Domaros guided the author to the publisher, Jerzy Urban, the press spokesman for Poland's last Communist government. Mr. Urban, who now edits Nie, a popular weekly, regularly ridicules the post-

Last year, his paper, which means No, offered a cash award to any woman who would come forward and admit in public that she had had an abortion after conceiving a child with a lawmaker from a party close to the

Catholic Church, The issue arose as parliament was moving toward banning abortion. That vote was delayed, and now, with an abortion ban scheduled for a final vote this week, Mr. Urban is taking credit for helping bring "Erotic Immunity" to market.

As members of parliament called for investigations into what they said was a blotch on the national honor, Poland's generally sober daily papers are following events with barely

"Parliamentary Sex Show," a headline read.
"Entire Parliament Reads Anastazja's book," said another.

Information on the writer's identity and background is sketchy. She joined the press

sheer black tights and a smartly tailored suit. Her nom de plume is one of Poland's more prominent aristocratic names,

A weekly, Wprost, described her as a woman who briefly worked for a tabloid newspaper in the northern city of Gdansk and that she faces charges in several scams, such as receiving money for advertisements that never

The author told Wprost that she had written the book to earn money to settle "my considerable debts" and that she was working for 'linancial circles of German-Austrian origin. That would not endear her to the fiercely nationalistic Polish right.

## CIA Chief, Disputing UN, Warns of Iraqi Nuclear Cache

By George Lardner Jr. and R. Jeffrey Smith

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON --- Robert M. Gates, the director of central intelligence, has warned that Iraq may be hiding enough equipment and supplies to produce fissile material for a nuclear weapon in five to seven 'years" if United Nations inspections and sanctions

Mr. Gates said President Saddam Hussein of Iraq still had "significant residual" nuclear, chemical, biological and missile warfare programs that he has been trying to hide from UN inspectors and was evidently determined to resume them once the inspections stop.

1. Mr. Gates's remarks put him at odds with officials of the UN Special Commission on Iraq, which has been conducting inspections inside Iraq under cease-

fire resolutions approved after the 1991 Gulf War. The commission has generally expressed greater down as CIA chief. Mr. Gates used both California confidence than the CIA that Iraq's chemical and forums to emphasize what he called the danger of nuclear weapons programs have been brought under

"We have not been able to find any residual programs of any size whatsoever," said John Scott, a legal counsel and a spokesman for the UN commission.

Mr. Gates, who has previously drawn criticism for making bold public predictions about impending chaos in the former Soviet Union and the Middle East, offered a characteristically bleak vision of the future in speeches delivered Tuesday in Sacramento and Los

The world now includes many more complicated and often dangerous problems than the world we just left," he said, "even though the risk of nuclear war has receded dramatically."

MOSCOW -- Germany agreed

Mednesday to a delay in pay-ments on a major portion of debt owed to it by Russia and to give Moscow 550 million Deutsche

marks in exchange for an acceler-

ated withdrawal of Russian troops from Eastern Germany. Chancellor Helmut Kohl said

the eight-year debt moratorium

will cover bills owed to East Ger-

many by the Soviet Union under

the old Comecon payment system

The visiting German leader said troops from the former Sovi-

et Union would return home by

Aug. 31, 1994 — four months earlier than planned — in return

for the payment, now equivalent to \$350 million.

This is a big success," Mr. Kohl said at a joint news confer-

ence in the Kremlin. "We took an

important step for the future de-velopment of German-Russian relations."

German sources estimated the

agreement covered 17.6 billion

DM, representing about half of Russia's 36 billion DM debt to

Germany, virtually all of which was inherited from the Soviet

Mr. Kohl added that Germany

would "use its influence" at the

Paris Club of government credi-

tors "on Russia's behalf." The

full club of creditors is due to

Mr. Kohl said at the press confer-

ence, flanked by his host, President Bonis N. Yeltsin.

Under a treaty that enabled German reunification to go ahead in October 1990, Russian

troops are scheduled to withdraw

from the former East Germany

dents, German officials say.

There were 390,000 Soviet

Mr. Kohl's arrival Monday co-

pressure from centrists and con-

by Dec. 31, 1994.

"I consider this package of serecments to be a great success."

meet in Paris on Thursday-

of the "transferable ruble."

With only a few weeks before he is expected to step forums to emphasize what he called the danger of making large cuts in the U.S. intelligence budget now that the Cold War is over.

In the field of weapons proliferation alone, he said, "demands for prompt, detailed and actionable information from policymakers, the military and Congress have actually increased in the last two years."

Mr. Gates asserted that Iraq had failed to declare all its chemical munitions and was still harboring mobile Scud missiles. He also said Iraq had concealed aspects of its germ weapon program by leveling key buildings at a research center and spreading dirt over the area before UN inspectors arrived.

The UN Special Commission is expected to report to the Security Council this week that Iraq has roughly

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140,000 chemical munitions remaining and that the United Nations has obtained "considerable information" about the Iraqi chemical program, according to UN officials.

The commission's report is also expected to say that without new analysis or information "from reliable sources" on the Iraqi Scud missile program, the Security Council should assume that the commission has developed "a practically complete picture."

Mr. Gates also provided new details to buttress past warnings that Iran's continuing military buildup could destabilize the region, mirroring Iraq's buildup of the

He said Iran had a chemical weapons program that was growing in size and had already produced between several hundred and 2,000 tons of "blister, choking and blood agents."

### WORLD BRIEFS

### Albania Seeks Membership in NATO

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — Albania, warning that war will spread through the Balkans, told a meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization on Wednesday that it was applying to join the Western

President Sali Berisha said that Albania would not allow "ethnic cleansing" to start in the troubled Serbian province of Kosovo, most of whose inhabitants are ethnic Albanians. He appealed for peacekeeping forces to be sent to stop the Yugoslav conflict's spreading.

Mr. Berisha said that Albania "could not tolerate, is not prepared to tolerate," ethnic cleansing in Kosovo. Saying that a Balkan war would very probably start," he said that Albanians regarded NATO as a pillar of stability in Europe. NATO has never extended membership or security guarantees to any of its former enemies.

#### **EC Court Backs Sunday Trading Ban** BRUSSELS (Reuters) - The European Court of Justice ruled

Wednesday that Britain's law banning a wide variety of shopping on Sundays did not contravene European Community rules.

The court said that an article in the EC's founding treaty banning trade-distorting laws "does not apply to national legislation prohibiting retailers from opening their premises on Sunday."

The British law, which dates from 1950 and prohibits a wide range of trading on Sundays, has provoked a flurry of court cases in Britain as many of the country's larger retailers have openly flouted the legislation for more than a wage.

#### Legislators Condemn Mosque Razing

NEW DELHI (Renters) — The Indian Parliament on Wednesday condemned the razing of a mosque in the town of Ayodhya by militant Hindus, an event that triggered communal riots killing some 1,200

Both the lower and upper houses passed a resolution against the demolition of the mosque despite protests by members of the pro-Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party, which has links with the radicals who tore down the 16th-century shrine.

The government last week banned three Hindu and two Muslim groups following the razing of the mosque and the ensuing violence. The resolution said the three Hindu groups — Rashtriya Swyamsevak Sangh, Vishwa Hindu Parishad and Bhajarang Dal — had helped instigate the

#### Ouake Killed 90% on Indonesia Isle

MAUMERE, Indonesia (AP) - Rescuers conducting mass burials Wednesday after a weekend earthquake described an eerie scene of desolation on a tiny island wiped out by seismic waves.

"The whole island has been vacated and it is now practically empty, like a ghost island," said Colonel Djoko Pourwoko of Pulan Babi, or Pig Island, most of whose population of 1,000 died in the earthquake.

About 100 survivors from Pulan Babi have been evacuated to the larger

Flores Island, about 1,450 kilometers east of Jakarta. Flores was also hit hard by the powerful earthquake and ensuing tidal waves of up to 25 meters (85 feet).

#### Amato Gets Good News on 2 Fronts

ROME (Reuters) — The government of Prime Minister Giuliano Amato, buffeted by scandal and electoral setbacks, got welcome news on two fronts Wednesday.

In Parliament it easily won a confidence vote, and then Umberto Bossi, leader of the separatist Northern League, grudgingly agreed that Mr. Amato must not be toppled. "It would be like taking away the bricks that

are holding the whole wall up," Mr. Bossi said.

On Sunday and Monday voters rebuffed the government in general and Mr. Amato's Socialist Party in particular in local elections widely seen as a referendum on the political establishment. Mr. Amato learned Tuesday that Bettino Craxi, head of the party and a former prime minister, was being investigated in a corruption case.

### Egypt Seizes 50 More Fundamentalists

CAIRO (AFP) — Egyptian anthorines have arrested 50 more Muslim fundamentalists, bringing to 700 the number detained since a crackdown against them was begun last week, the police said Wednesday.

Twenty-three fundamentalists, including six women, and 10 militants of an underground group, were arrested in Faiyum, southwest of Cairo, on Tuesday. The police said that 13 were from the Cairo neighborhood of Imbaba, where the sweep started Dec.7.

### Kenya Leader Acts to Curb Violence

NAIROBI (Reuters) --- Kenya's government, alarmed by rising preelection political violence, has ordered the police to shoot to kill anyone provoking ethnic unrest in President Daniel arap Moi's home province. At least 16 people died in weekend fighting in the troubled northwest-em Rift Valley Province, scene of bitter rivalry in the campaign for the Dec. 29 presidential and parliamentary elections, Kenya's first multipar-

Opposition leaders accuse Mr. Moi's Kenya African National Union Party of promoting the violence in an attempt to intimidate their supporters into backing the party. Mr. Moi denies the charge and accuses the opposition of fomenting instability.

### 25 Die as Colombia Battles Rebels

BOGOTA (AP) — Rebels fought with soldiers and policemen, and sore than a dozen bombs exploded in two cities, leaving at least 25 dead and 19 wounded, Colombian authorities said Wednesday.

Ten rebels died in a battle with the army near Santiago, 65 kilometers west of the Venezuelan border, reports said. Fifteen guerrillas, police officers and civilians reportedly died in scattered rebel attacks overnight on police barracks and military posts across Colombia. Eight bombs went off late Tuesday in the border city of Chanta, leaving 13 people injured. Six bombs exploded Wednesday in Barrancabermeja, an oil port 160 kilometers north of Bogotá.

### TRAVEL UPDATE

A strike by rail workers in Belgium was expected to paralyze Belgian trains and to halt international rail travel through the country for 24 hours effective 10 P.M. Wednesday as unions protest company plans they

claim would cost 3,000 jobs.

Indian Abrines is seeking to hire French pilots. The country's strike hit main domestic carrier has also leased Russian-piloted jetliners. Airline officials said Wednesday that it hoped to operate its Airbus fleet temporarily with French pilots. Domestic flights in India have been disrupted for a week by a work stoppage by the main pilots' union, the 475 members of the Indian Commercial Pilots Association. (UPI) French trains began rolling again Wednesday after a 32-hour strike, but SNCF, the state rulivoad company, said commeter traffic was still chaotic in the Paris region and was irregular on some other lines. (Reguery)

in the Paris region and was irregular on some other lines. (Reuters)

Maintenance staff with Algeria's national airline, Air Algeria, disrupted domestic and international flights Wednesday on the first full day of an indefinite strike over pay.

### **Latest IRA Victims:** 4 Hurt, Lots Scared

### 2 Bombs in Central London Terrify Hordes of Shoppers

By William E. Schmidt New York Times Service

LONDON -- The Irish Republican Army detonated two small bombs within minutes of each othto within minutes of each other with the streets of each other Wednesday morning in the heart Belfast and other cities in the provof London's busy Oxford Street hopping district, sending throngs of Christmas shoppers screaming through the streets and causing minor injuries to four people.

The bombs, the latest strike in an ongoing IRA campaign to spread terror and disruption on the British mainland, caused more panic than harm. Of those who were hurt, the glass and another collapsed from an asthma attack caused by shock.

The first bomb went off in the men's room of a department store; the second bomb exploded 15 minutes later in a square at the rear of the store, as the police were still trying to clear the area of frightened shoppers and employe

Scotland Yard, which has been fearing a possible IRA Christmas bombing blitz, later accused the bombers of playing what it called

an "obscene game."

Commander David Tucker, the chief of Scotland Yard's anti-ter- a department store on Oxford torist branch, said the callers gave deliberately misleading information in telephoned warnings to London news organizations about 15 minutes before the first bomb

replied: "That's for you to find out." The explosions came the same day that Sir Patrick Mayhew. the Northern Ireland Secretary. said that Britain was prepared to ince, if the IRA were to agree to end its campaign of bombing and

Sir Patrick, speaking at a university conference in Londonderry, in Northern Ireland, said that if the IRA had "a serious political purpose, then let it renounce unequivocally the use and threat of violence, and demonstrate over a police said, three were cut by flying sufficient period that its renuncia-

> After the explosions, the police sealed off Oxford Street and the surrounding area, disrupting tens of thousands of midday travelers who were barred from subway stations and streets across much of central London.

The police said the callers had warned of a third bomb, which was never found.

after 11 A.M. inside a trash bin in a third-floor lavatory of John Lewis. Street, just as store security people were searching the building on the advice of the police.

As panicked shoppers were being evacuated from the building the second bomb went off in a Police said that when one of the plastic trash bin in Cavendish persons receiving the warning tried Square, behind John Lewis. Passto press for more details on the ersby said it caused extensive damlocation of the bombs, the caller age to a car parked at the curb.



and the present tally is about Mr. Yeltsin, left, applauding remarks by Mr. Kohl at the conclusion of their talks Wednesday.

200,000, plus 140,000 dependents Communication of their talks Wednesday.

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incided with a major political de-feat for Mr. Yeltsin, who was forced to drop his acting prime minister, Yegor T. Gaidar, under retreat from reform. Mr. Kohl could see, Mr. Yeltservatives at the Congress of Peo- sin said, that reactionary forces

that Germany and the world dar's replacement by Viktor S. could see that things were in-Chernomyrdin, a former Soviet proving in Russia "behind the collapsed barricades of commu-

"Only various groups of diehard conservatives are trying to le's Deputies.

had not triumphed at the Conhold up Russia's

But the Kremlin leader repeatgress. It was important, he added,
president declared. hold up Russia's progress." the

many pledged to pay I billion. DM in compensation to Russians. Belanussians and Ukrainians who had suffered in concentration camps, doing slave labor or under other repression at the hands of the Nazis.

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(AFP. Reuters)

### U.S. Is Targeting a Few In House Bank Affair

By Sharon LaFraniere

Washington Peat Service
WASHINGTON — The Justice Department announced Wednesday that it was investigating a "very few" congressmen, most of whom have left office, for crimes they might have committed in using the House bank.

Attorney General William P. Barr ordered the criminal inquiry at the recommendation of the spe-cial prosecutor, Malcolm R. Wilkey, who has been investigating the House bank scandal for nine

Mr. Wilkey's 49-page report to Mr. Barr disclosed no names, but the former federal judge said investigators should focus on House bank employees and a small group comprised of "almost entirely for-

mer members." Mr. Wilkey said he needed 'further information" before deciding whether to clear a handful of conressmen who are still in office. Nine of them remain under some degree of suspicion, including three who lost their re-election campaigns and relinquish their seats on

According to their staffers, at least four Democratic congressmen have yet to receive a letter from Mr. Wilkey's staff clearing them of

wrongdoing. They are John Con-yers Jr. of Michigan, who is chair-man of the House Government Opman of the House Government Operations Committee, Harold E. Ford of Termessee, Charles Wilson of Termessee, Charles Wilson of Termessee, Charles Wilson erations Committee, Harold E. of Texas and Edolphus Towns of New York.

Although Mr. Wilkey exonerated the vast majority of former and current members, he portrayed the scandal as more serious than many knowledge publicly.

Because the House bank operated on the credo of "never embarrass a member," and because it never returned a bad check, most members are protected from criminal charges, according to the re-

Mr. Wilkey suggested that criminal investigators look closely at a different kind of practice — whether some members kited checks, or tried to cover a bad check drawn on their House bank account with another bad check from another account. He said the House bank offered "a golden opportunity" for a check-kiting scheme.

Mr. Wilkey took pains to counter legislators' claims that the scandal involved no public funds, saying that all the bank's money belonged to taxpayers until actually disbursed.

Cluses stop now fear for their

BERLIN — Jewish and Gypsy leaders warned Germany on Wednesday that growing racism resembled prewar persecution that led

up to the Holocaust. A current wave of attacks by extremists on the right "could drag us all to hell," a Jewish

The warnings were made at a memorial ceremony in the Reichstag to mark the 50th anni-versary of Nazi Germany's decision to send all

Gypsies to the Auschwitz death camp.

Auschwitz is the past but Auschwitz is also our present," said Romani Rose, chairman of the Central Council of Gypsies. Gypsy leaders gave Renate Schmidt, the vice

nt of Germany's parliament, a list of names compiled by the Nazis of 20,943 Gypsies murdered in Auschwitz. The presence of Romanian Gypsics at a

hostel for foreign asylum-seekers set off off a riot in August in the eastern port city of Ros-This was followed by a wave of attacks on

foreigners and Jewish memorials that has claimed at least 17 lives. The police have often failed to stop the violence. "We remember how the police did nothing when the synagogues burned," said Otto Ro-senberg, a Holocaust survivor who is chairman

Ignatz Bubis, the chairman of Germany's vestigial Jewish community, said a drift by voters to far-right parties amid reunited Ger-

varning that Nazism could be on the rise again. "If there is this great readiness to vote for the far-right, then we may not have learned from history." he told the several hundred Gypsies. Jews and German politicians in the Reichstag. Heinrich Himmler, the leader of the SS, Hit-

many's economic and social problems were a

ler's main instrument for terror and repression, issued an order Dec. 16. 1942, to send all surviving Gypsy families in the Third Reich to Auschwitz in occupied Poland.

More than 500,000 Gypsies were murdered by the Nazis and nearly 23,000 were killed in the Auschwitz death camp alone.

Many Jewish and Gypsy speakers told Germany's politicians that they were ignoring the far-right threat at their peril. "This could drag us all into hell," Mr. Bubis

Mrs. Schmidt, a member of the opposition Social Democrats, said she feared that it might

roots because, she said, it had already established itself permanently in Germany. But her comments were rejected by Berlin's mayor. Eberhard Diepgen, a member of Chan-

be too late to stamp out rightist extremism at its

Democratic party.

Mr. Diepgen said recent anti-racist protests by hundreds of thousands of Germans showed.

reunited country would never drift back to

the Third Reich "Germany is not Weimar," he said, referring to the democracy that succumbed to Nazism in The head of the rightist Republicans party.

put under investigation as a possibly anti-dem-ocratic group, meanwhile accused the German government of resorting to Nazi-like methods to save its political skin.

"Hitler sends his greetings," the leader of the Republicans, Franz Schönlinber, a former SS officer, said in a sarcastic description of Bonn's cision Tuesday to have his party monitored by Germany's counterintelligence agency. Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters said the Re-

publicans, the biggest of many fringe far-right parties in Germany and one of just two with state legislative seats, were under surveillance as a possible threat to the "free democratic

Mr. Schönhuber said Mr. Kohl's coalition was plotting ways to suppress his nationalist party because it was bring more and more votes away from a discredited political estab-

# Roh Tae Woo's Political Legacy: North's Isolation

By David E. Sanger New York Times Service

SEOUL -- President Roh Tae Woo said here not long ago that he wanted to be remembered as the man who fulfilled South Korea's "aspirations for democratization." But for Asia and the United States, perhaps most impor-tant has been his paramount role in isolating North Korea, a

three year diplomatic campaign that has left one of the world's most menacing powers beneft of its Cold War allies and on the defensive about a nuclear-weapons project that ranks among the biggest threats in Asia. Yet, in Seoul, only 55 kilometers from the mines and tank

trans of the Demilitarized Zone that divides Korea, South Koreans are hardly celebrating. As Mr. Roh leaves office, the former general who was once feared as a military strongman in a business suit is now often criticized for going soft, signing empty agreements with the North rather than speeding its collapse. A rising generation of educated young South Koreans,

the cold realities of competing with Japan and China. How Mr. Roh's successor, who is to be elected on Friday, then the Soviet Union, China and the United States.

military officials and diplomats fear they easily could—that could rekindle the first bands the United Nations ever tried to settle with force. "North Korea could explode or implode," said General

troops who remain in the South. As the Stalmist government of Kim Il Sung is driven further into a corner, its economy shrinking and its people running short of food, General RisCassi contends, "it is a debatable matter" whether the country will change peacefully or lash out as it did once-

That question, endlessly debated these days in Washingion and Seoul, is at the heart of the question of how many U.S. troops the Clinton administration will decide to keep in:

On the streets, where radical students, nationalists and political opposition leaders once demanded a U.S. pullout. all three candidates for president of South Korea are now urging the United States to stay.

the founder of the Hyundai manufacturing conglomerate; and Kim Young Sam, of the Democratic Liberal Party. When Mr. Roh took office in early 1988, the North and the South were locked in the same standoff they had been in-

television as the Berlin Wall fell, seeing it all through the prism of the DMZ.

"There was a wistful period for a while," Donald P. Gregg, the U.S. ambassador, said recently. "Everyone thought it could happen as quickly as it did in Germany. Then they watched, and added up the costs, and that was sobering.

Mr. Roh, by his own account, seized the moment.

Working quietly, he began to court several East European nations and then the Soviet Union, eventually welcoming Mikhail S. Gorbachev to a country where Russians had been barred. In return he offered Russia \$3 billion in aid.

But the effects were clear. After nearly two decades of silence, the prime ministers from North and South began to

meet regularly, though the talks always seemed on the verge of foundering, with both sides often shouting accusations at cach other.

Mr. Roh, following a path charted largely by his national security adviser. Kim Chong Hwi, began to dangle the investment carrot in front of the North, whose economy is a 10th the size of South Korea's, Eventually he even allowed South Korean business leaders to travel North to talk about

potential factories. A year ago this week, the two sides finally struck what seemed to be a historic accord on "Reconciliation, Nonagsion and Exchanges and Cooperation."

It fell short of a peace treaty, but it seemed bound to break down the isolation, calling for a military hot line, regular exchanges of news, even telephone; mail and rail service between nations and families that had been totally cut off from one another . -

So far, though, no major provisions have been out into

### EUROPEAN **TOPICS**

Not All Are Happy About Open Borders With some West European

horder checks set to vanish, so will a number of now superflu-While the plan to drop internai passport controls on Jan. 1 has been postponed (and will exclude Britain, Denmark and Ireland), new laws on transit and customs will take effect that day,

affecting an estimated 60,000 border-related jobs. To take one local example, at the Cluses border stop on the French end of the Mont Blane tunnel, 176 employees expect to be out of work. Their jobs many involving clearance of big trucks — will largely be replaced by declarations filed directly by trucking companies. The ripple effect is never far behind: With fewer customs workers and truckers to feed, the 20 employces of the restaurant at the Around Europe

As other borders fall, a new one is rising, and Moravians and Slovaks living along the future frontier between the Czech Republic and Slovakia are far from enthusiastic. "We have never had any problems about living together," said one citizen, worried the trouble will begin when the country formally splits on Jan. 1.

. Frantisck Hedrich, deputy mayor of the Moravian town of Hodonin, says the separation will cause no end of human, prolessional and practical difficul-

The border will lie 100 meters (330 feet) from Hodonin's outskirts. Workers fear big delays because of customs checks and heavier road traffic. Consumers fear currency devaluation -- and then higher prices. And many Slovaks working in the Czech area expect to be the first to lose jobs under privatization. To Mr. Hedrich, the Czech divorce is "a

Austria is applying not just to join the European Community

but also for a greater measure of independence from Germany, says Franz Ceska, secretary-general of the Austrian Industrialists Federation. Outside the EC, he says, Austria is reduced to the status of a satellite of Germany, its leading investor and trade partner. He looks to the Irish example: When Ireland joined

of the Gypsy Union of Berlin.

the EC, its trade with, and dependence on, Britain dropped from 70 percent of the total then to less than 50 percent now. Happling over prices is not very British, it appears, A Times of London reporter, Heather Kirby, tried her best to talk down salespeople in a variety of stores. Some willingly went along, but at many shops she was met with expressions of shock or disdain. "We don't do discounts," sniffed one clerk. An-

you stop?" At Harrods, a sales assistant used a hi-tech brushoff: "We use the bar code," he said, and all deals would have to pass through the central computer. That, he added, could lead to immense complications.

Brian Knowlton

other used the defense, "Once

the word was out where would

with no memory of families fleeing across the border, have begun to question whether their parents' preoccupation with reunification is even worth the price. Mindful of Germany's experience, they fear that unification could nearly bankrupt the South, derailing the nation just as it begins to focus on

manages relations with North Korea may well determine when and how peacefully the Cold War ends in Asia: For all their new-found prosperity and democratic values. South Koreans are acutely aware that for most of the last century, their peninsula has served as a battleground for larger

If the Koreas remaify peacefully, the nation could become a regional powerhouse of 70 million people. If relations between North and South collapse totally—and many U.S.

Robert W. RisCassi, the commander of the 40,000 U.S.

Korea, and for how long.

The other candidates for president are Ching Ju Youg.

since an armistice was signed in July 1953. But the year after he took office, Koreans watched on: effect.

Honeymoon Has Started Early for Clinton

WASHINGTON - President-elect Bill Clinton is enjoying a prehoneymoon honeymoon with an American public that appears increasingly optimistic about the country's future, according to a new Washington Post-ABC News poll.

For the first time in six years, more Americans say the economy is gening better than say it is getting worse. A majority of those questioned also said they expected Mr. Clinton to do a better job managing the economy than President George Bush.

The poll also showed that the public's initial reaction was favorable to Mr. Clinton's first round of high-level administration ap-pointments. Overall, those surveyed gave both Mr. Clinton and Mr. Bush high marks for the way they are handling the transition of

One potential source of conflict for Mr. Clinton has to do with his pledge to end the military's ban on homosexuals in the service. By a 5-to-4 ratio, those surveyed said they favored allowing homosexuals to serve in the military. A majority of women favored the measure, while a narrow majority of men were opposed.

A total of 1,011 randomly selected adults were interviewed Dec. 11 to 14. Margin of sampling error for the overall results is plus or

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Newly elected presidents historically enjoy broad public support chiring the early months of their first terms. But there have been doubts whether Mr. Clinton, who faced a bruising three-way contest in which nearly 6 out of 10 voters supported his opponents, would enjoy such a honeymoon. With his inauguration still five weeks away, the best guess is yes.

away, the best guess is yes.

Six out of 10 were confident that Mr. Clinton would do a better job than Mr. Bush did in handling the economy. Happily for the president-elect, the survey suggests that doubts about the nation's economy finally may be lifting. According to the poll, 33 percent said the economy was improving, while 24 percent said it still was in decline. The remaining 42 percent said the economy was staying about the same.

(WP)

#### Baker Logbooks Sought in Clinton File Affair

WASHINGTON - The General Accounting Office has asked the White House to turn over copies of computer messages, phone logs and other files from Chief of Staff James A. Baker 3d and two senior aides as part of a broadening congressional investigation into the State Department's pre-election search of President-elect Bill Clin-

ton's passport files.

In a letter to the White House, the accounting office asked for records from Mr. Baker and two presidential assistants, Margaret D. Tutwiler and Janet G. Mullins, dating from Sept. 15—the day the State Department received the first Freedom of Information Act request for material on Mr. Clinton's citizenship records. The office requested any material relating to contacts between the White House officials named and the State Department officials involved in the

handling of Mr. Clinton's files. The accounting office letter gives the latest of several indications that congressional and federal investigators may be expanding their inquiries into the passport affair and concentrating on the possibility that the White House as well as senior officials of the Bush-Quayle campaign were involved. Last week, the State Department inspector-general and the General Accounting Office also began investigating whether State Department or White House officials contacted the British government to initiate a separate search at the British Home Office for any files on Mr. Clinton.

#### **How to Cool Inauguration Fever**

WASHINGTON - For those who want tickets to the public events of Bill Chinton's inauguration, there is a toll-free telephone number in the United States: 1-800-INAUG93. The Presidential Inaugural Committee announced the number to field a growing number of requests for information on tickets, commemorative merchandise and volunteer work.

#### Quote-Unquote:

Bill Clinton at the end of a two-day domestic economic meeting in Little Rock. Arkansas: "As long as people are out of work and children are left behind, as long as families struggle, as long as the potential of this country is not being fulfilled, we will not rest." (AP)

#### **Away From Politics**

 Many kitchen faucets leach dangerous amounts of lead into drinking water, two environmental groups said in filing a lawsuit against U.S. manufacturers.

• No increase in birth defects has been found following a massive pesticide spill in the Sacramento River in Northern California in 1991, researchers said.

 A former managing director at Kidder Peabody & Company has filed claims to collect \$5 million from the brokerage firm because, she says, it discriminated against her on the basis of age and sex. The claims of Elizabeth Sobol, 49, who left the company 16 months ago, may be heard by an arbitration panel under the auspices of the National Association of Securities Dealers.

• An electronic radar-jamming system in development for 15 years at a cost of \$1.5 billion will be canceled by the navy. The system repeatedly failed flight tests and became a symbol of weapons programs kept in development by the Pentagon before problems

• At least 79 students were injured when a cloud of Mace spread through a New York City school, forcing its evacuation. The police arrested a 14-year-old student and charged him with juvenile delin-quency for spraying a canister of the chemical in a hallway.

 Attorney General William P. Barr, who leaves the post next month, called for eliminating the office of the federal coordinator of anti-drug policy, and for insisting on the full cooperation of Latin American countries in the drug war.

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### **Aspin Leads Running** For Defense Secretary

By Gwen Ifill

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — Les Aspin, the chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, has emerged as the leading candidate for secretary of detense in the Clinton administration, transition and congressional officials say.

The Wisconsin Democrat is the likely choice on what had been an extremely short list of candidates to head the Department of Defense, and several people familiar with the process said a formal an-

nonnement was expected soon. Like President-elect Bill Clinton, Mr. Aspin, 54, is considered a moderate Democrat, opposed the war in Vietnam and studied at Oxford

But he supported financing for the MX missile and aid to the Nicaraguan contras and is not considered by Republicans to be a proponent of major cuts in the military

Dave McCurdy, Democrat of Oklahoma, 42, who is an influential member of the House Armed Services Committee, has also been considered a possible nominee for

the Pentagon.
Mr. Clinton is also expected this week to name Mike Espy, Democrat of Mississippi, as secretary of agriculture, transition aides and congressional officials said. Mr. Espy, 39, would be the first black to hold the Agriculture post. He was elected to Congress in 1987 and represents a largely rural district.

Mr. Aspin's nomination would

rob the House of another senior Democrat committee chairman and set up a struggle for control of the House Armed Services Com-mittee, where Ronald V. Dellums of California and Patricia Schroeder of Colorado are in the immedi-

ate line of succession. A senior congressional Republican called Mr. Aspin "clearly an excellent choice," and signaled that the appointment would be generally well received on Capitol Hill.

■ Mondale for UN Post? Former Vice President Walter Mondale surfaced Wednesday as a leading candidate for chief delegate to the United Nations, The Associ-ated Press reported from Little Rock, Arkansas. A transition aide said Mr. Mondale was on a short list of candidates.

#### Fischer Won't Discuss His Indictment in U.S.

Agence France-Presse BELGRADE - Bobby Fischer, the former world chess champion, refused Wednesday to comment on his indictment in the United States for violating economic sanctions against Yugoslavia by playing a chess tournament there.

A spokesman for the American chess master said that Jezdimir Vasiljevic, the Serbian banker who sponsored the \$5 million match against Boris Spassky, had ordered Mr. Fischer to keep silent.



Mr. Clinton and Mr. Gore wrapping up their economic conference in Little Rock, Arkansas.

### Breaking the Ice With Business Clinton Wins Praise, but Wariness Remains

crat?"

By Steven Greenhouse

New York Times Service
LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas — The business leaders at Presidentelect Bill Clinton's economic conference here did not fall head over heels, but many came away feeling warmer toward him than they had

expected.
Still, many of the executives had voted for President George Bush, and they remained unsure whether Mr. Clinton was a man they could

"I have never voted for a Democrat in my life, but I must say I've pleased to shed their reserve about been impressed," said John D. the president-elect. John D. Cor-Ong, chairman and chief executive renti, president of the Nucor Corp., a steelmaker, based in Charlotte, has an obvious command of the North Carolina, said, "He's like a issues, but we don't know what his sponge in absorbing information." ogram will be."

The executives, who came from dozens of large companies, including Citicorp, Colgate-Palmolive, Exxon and Sara Lee, were heartened that Mr. Clinton not only listened to their problems, but appeared to understand them. Hour after hour, he listened as they described the problems causing corporate America's headaches: anemic economic growth, spiraling health-care costs, cuts in military spending, the reluctance of banks

Still, after 19 hours of talking, the business leaders remained anxious to know what Mr. Clinton plans to do on issues close to their hearts and bottom lines, like regu-

"We have a lot of Republicanoriented manufacturers, and I'd say they were impressed by the way he conducted himself," said Robert Cizik, chairman of Cooper Industries in Houston. "But they remain

cautious. Is he really a different type of Democrat or is he more in the mold of the traditional Demo-lines, Apple, AT&T. Coca-Cola, lines, Apple, AT&T, Coca-Cola, Ford, Intel, Johnson & Johnson. Merck, Xerox and Wal-Mart. Mr. Cizik, who is chairman of

the 12,000-member National Association of Manufacturers, added that "certain options" that Mr. that are laying off tens of thousands of workers, like General Moerbate problems. Those options, he said, included more regulations, George Stephanopoulos, Mr. Clinton's communications direcmore taxes and more spending, the

things we already worry about." tor, said, "We're always trying to Despite the general tone of cauput a spotlight on the success stories." Of course, Mr. Clinton might tion, some executives seemed have taken some heat if companies that have angered their workers by huge layoffs had been invited.

John Sculley, chief executive of Apple Computer, said he was amazed that Mr. Clinton could discuss dozens of subjects in detail ithout any noic

In some ways, the conference be-

came a tacit conspiracy between Mr. Clinton and the business com-

munity. Both sides gladly turned the conference into an effort to force-feed the public and Congress tons of information about what ails the economy.

Mr. Sculley said, "We all walked away with the feeling that we're making progress getting the leader of the nation and the American people to recognize that we have serious problems."

For business executives, an invitation to the conference was some-thing like induction into Bill Clinton's Corporate Hall of Fame. Many of the large companies invit-ed were part of an elite, evidenced by their rapid growth or success at



### First Victim in War of Ideology Leftist Clinton Transition Aide Is Frozen Out

ficial of the Clinton transition team associated with the old-line left of Democratic Party politics appears to have fallen as the first victim of a and a friend of Ms. Cole's. "Asacter of the incoming administra-

A week ago, Johnnetta B. Cole, president of Spelman College in Atlanta, was regarded by some within President-elect Bill Clinton's organization as a strong possibility for appointment as secre-tary of education. Now, after a run of bad publicity that began last Friday with the publication in the Jewish newspaper Forward of an article detailing her association with Marxist-oriented groups, her chances of being named to any job requiring Senate confirmation ap-pear almost nil.

vithin and around the transition between centrist Democrats and a group that is pushing for a more aggressively liberal administration. That faction is centered on and draws power from Hillary Rodham

Clinton, the president-elect's wife. Ms. Cole, who has been the subject of a series of critical newspaper articles and columns, found herself under intensive questioning by reporters this week while attending in Little Rock. She responded in tones of outrage against what she called "vile" charges dredged up by

"right-wing extremists." The public and private criticism of Ms. Cole has come largely on two fronts: Jewish organizations critical of her reported affiliation with a pro-Palestinian group and Democrats fearful of any sign of leftward leaning within a political organization that has gone to great pains to break with the party's liberal legacy.

Ms. Cole, a longtime friend of Mrs. Clinton's, was appointed in November to run a group charged with reporting to the president-elect on the issues and organizational concerns facing federal agen-cies involved with education, labor, and the arts and humanities.

That group's more powerful counterpart, which is developing Mr. Clinton's policies in those areas, is headed by Alan From, a prominent figure in the party's cen-trist faction. Mr. From did not re-turn telephone calls for this article.

The Clinton transition team's public position is that Ms. Cole's political history is, as Mr. Clinton's

"I don't know anything about that stuff," said Vernon Jordan, Mr. Clinton's transition chairman suming that it's true, I also don't pretty silly to me."

But the report in the Jewish newspaper led to both private and public pressure on the Clinton transition team.

"We are not asking that she resign, but we are saying that if she has maintained these views and and has not repudiated them, particularly in the aftermath of glasappropriate that she was appointed to this position," said Abraham Foxman director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Ms. Cole, who used to leave her-The controversy over Ms. Cole stems from a fundamental conflict administration job, now says there is no possibility I will go to Wash-

In an interview, Ms. Cole acknowledged that for years she had

By Michael Kelly

New York Timer Service

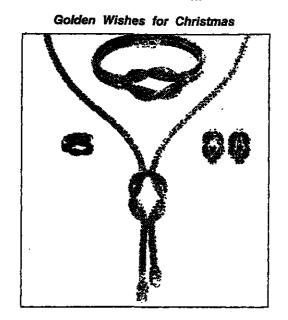
WASHINGTON — A senior ofrial of the Clinton in a service will deal of the pro-Cuba Venceremos Brigades, known for sponsoring sugar cane-cutting exceeditions to Cuba. The FBI has alleged that the group was connected with Cuban intelligence forces.

Ms, Cole also has been listed as a member of the executive board of the U.S. Peace Council. She appears in a listing of "sponsors", at the group's founding conference in

The U.S. Peace Council was an affiliate of the World Peace Council. In Senate testimony in 1982. Edward O'Malley, the assistant director of the FBI's intelligence division, called the World Peace Council "the largest and most active Soviet international front organiza-

In an academic essay entitled "Afro-American Solidarity with Cuba," published in 1977. Ms. Cole wrote of black Americans "responsibility to stand in solidarity with the Cuban revolution."

"As we struggle for meaningful transformation of U.S. society, there is much that we can learn been a member of the national from Cuba," she wrote.



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### Russian Ups and Downs

It is tempting to interpret the resignation of Prime Minister Yegor Gaidar of Russia as a startling rebuke to Boris Yeltsin and his program of radical economic reform. Yet even with the more cautious apparatchik Viktor Chernomyrdin in the job, reform could still go forward, although at a slower pace and on a different trajectory. And although the infighting was brutal, the re-

sult was reached democratically. That reaffirms the wisdom of not imposing a made-in-America brand of economic policy as the test for all U.S. aid to Russia. America's basic interest lies in consolidating democracy's tenuous hold on this vast

and troubled country and preventing a fate-ful turn to ultra-nationalist demagoguery. Some reform-minded Russians and American onlookers complain that Mr. Yeltsin might have showed a firmer hand, even a fist, in defending Mr. Gaidar. But it is also possi-ble that Mr. Yeltsin concluded that Mr. Gaidar's austerity, if left unchecked, could lead to widespread disaffection and, worse, a turn toward authoritarianism.

Wherever the truth lies - and it is hard

#### A Blow to Reform

The brutal power struggle between the Russian legislature and President Boris Yeltsin took a turn on Monday that left Mr. Yeltsin's reformist prime minister. Yegor Gaidar, out in the cold. In his place the partly anti-reform, partly slow-on-reform Congress seated Viktor Chemomyrdin, an old-line industrial manager. Whether reform has a viable future in Russia becomes even more clouded. Those who conclude that Mr. Yeltsin has been forced to play survival politics are grim. Those who believe that reform arises from the necessity of events are only marginally more hopeful. The Russian economy was already trem-bling on the brink of a hyperinflation sure to frighten off Western bankers. This is the pressing reality with which the new team

The dumping of Mr. Gaidar was only one element of the political bargain that Mr. Yeltsin and the Congress struck. The other leading element was agreement by the Congress to a referendum on a new constitution next April. The existing constitution and Congress reflect the influence that hard-line Soviet Communists still held in 1990, Just how the referendum question and the list of new candidates will be composed figures to

A Democratic Change for Americans to judge from so great a distance - U.S. interests are plainly better served by a Russian government that does not have to invent the rules as it goes along. The compromise reached by Mr. Yeltsin and the Congress over the weekend, if it holds, could open the way to more orderly procedures by providing for a referendum on a new constitution next April.

Given the gravity of the economic crises and the limits to popular patience, many pittalls lie ahead. And the crude demagoguery and paranoia exhibited by some of Russia's parliamentarians do not inspire much confidence about the result. But, as recent political developments in Latin America suggest, democratic procedures can create democratic politicians.

Sustained American engagement and aid could help democracy along — for instance, by subsidizing a social safety net for Russian pensioners and the unemployed, and providing technical assistance and a Democracy Corps of U.S. volunteers. Such engagement would show that what America wisely cares most about is not a particular blueprint but Russia's democratization.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

move to the center of Russian politics. Mr. Yeltsin remains a formidable personage, and he will surely be campaigning for a constitution setting up a stronger presiden-cy and for a new legislature responsive to is agenda of democracy and reform.

The American stake in the outcome received a bizarre underlining on Monday. Russia's outspokenly liberal foreign minister, Andrei Kozyrev, stunned an interna-tional conference by suggesting that the Kremlin had reversed course and returned to the Cold War. Only an hour later did he explain that he was merely trying to dramatize the danger of the anti-reform challenge. It was a bad joke, and it could only have emboldened those in Moscow — not all of them reactionaries — who are already working to oust Mr. Kozyrev.

The fact remains that it matters greatly to the United States whether Russia is pursuing democracy and reform in company with the West — the basic Yeltsin-Gaidar-Kozvrev policy - or whether it is going to sink into a swamp of nationalistic reaction and isolation. It is a time for the West to hold firm to its own basic policy of ensuring that the door is open, that the opportunity exists for a Russia that wants to continue its essential reformation.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

### A Korean Landmark

South Korea's next president will not be a general, unlike virtually all his predecessors since 1961. Friday's election will mark a new advance for Korean democracy, a gain for U.S. interests and a tribute to the outgoing Roh Tae Woo, whose reforms energized political life. The election is an ns to reconsider lam iar policies. There is now a strong case for shifting to a more regional approach to

security, and for giving new emphasis to economic issues, especially trade barriers. Americans need not worry about any of the front-numers: Kim Young Sam, a veteran opposition figure now running as the ruling party's candidate. Kim Dae Jung, long Korea's leading campaigner for democracy and human rights, and Chung Ju Yung, tounder of Hyundai, the giant conglomerate. All three men favor democracy, markets and

peaceful reunification with the North. The economy is the main issue. South Korea's 5 percent growth rate this year is down sharply from the recent double-digit pace. Mr. Roh deliberately slowed growth to curb inflation and absorb wage increases. But Korea has stalled in its shift from heavily regulated. low-wage production to higher-tech, freer-market methods. Kim Young Sam, the candidate of continuity, is handicapped by this economic malaise. He has had trouble articulating coherent economic policies. And he pledges to bar rice imports, inviting friction with the United States. But Kim Young Sam also offers contimuity with the Roh government's Northern diplomacy: a combination of talks with Korean allies like Russia and China.

The heart of the North-South issue is now the timetable and format for reunification. The North, aware of its isolation. looks toward a federation to preserve what it can of its regime. The South, fearful of chaotic collapse, seeks to work with neighboring powers for an orderly transition.

Sustaining regional cooperation depends on Washington as well as Seoul. As Ameri-ca cuts back its military presence in the Western Pacific, it needs to foster new collective security arrangements. Otherwise, old conflicts between Japan, Korea, China and Russia could easily revive.

For 40 years America has been South Korea's military guarantor against Com-munist aggression. An increasingly democratic, self-confident Korea calls for a different role: America as diplomatic linchpin of a regional security alliance.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Other Comment

#### Seoul's Santa Clauses

Blame it on the festive season or sheer lack of political will. But South Korea's three leading presidential contenders are unabashedly playing Santa Claus in a desperate bid to gain votes. The promises are coming fast, ahead of the election Friday. Ordinary Koreans have been voicing objections to some of the outrageous promises and claims. This is not surprising as so much is at stake. The new president, who will assume office in February, will face the challenging task of ustaining the country's economic miracle.

Blistering wage growth, coupled with rising union militancy, has made South Korea an unfavorable destination for foreign investors. This is taking place when the country's chaebols, the big business groups that played a defining role in the economic mirucle, are going through a difficult time.

Unlike their counterparts in Japan and Taiwan, major Korean companies have been slow in relocating high-cost domestic operations to cheaper locations in China and Southeast Asia. These two factors spell longterm trouble. What made Korea's economic miracle possible was a durable social contract between government, labor and big business. The overwhelming objective of the next president will be in shaping an equally effective contract for Korea's next lap.

- Business Times (Singapore).

### **Enemies of Mideast Peace**

Hit and negotiate. The strategy isn't new. But after the abduction and murder of an Israeli border guard by Islamic extremists — who have been showing in-creasing boldness in their struggle against the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza -it has been forcibly reaffirmed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Hit some, negotiate with others. What is essential, if chances for a Middle East peace are to be kept alive, is for the former general not to

mistake his enemy's identity.
The Palestine Liberation Organization. which favors the peace process, has gradually given up the ground of armed struggle to the adversaries of negotiation. Yasser Arafat's leadership, which is now seen as the most moderate in the Palestinian arena, is in a difficult position, made all the more delicate by the fact that it has nothing concrete to offer its supporters.

In both camps, extremists and moderates are in a perilous race against the clock. Knowing it is impossible to sign a peace agreement with any organization other than the PLO, Mr. Rabin's government should be inspired to recognize, at long last, its negotiating partners for who they are: members of the PLO. If not, we may see more Black Decembers.

- Le Monde (Paris).

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## Serbs Can Reverse a Destructive Course

BUDAPEST—It is simple, but carastrophic in its implications, to deal with Yugoslavia in terms of "the Serbs," "the Croats," "the Muslims." That plays the game of ethnic politics, whose logic leads—has led—to genocide.

"The Serbs" did not invade Croana and Bosnia

to create Serbian homelands and expel Croats and Bosnians. The Yngoslav National Army did that under the instructions of the Serbian government of Slobodan Milosevic. The war in Bosnia now is carried on by a regime and army composed mostly of Serbs native to Bosnia, supported and directed by the Milosevic authorities in Serbia.

There are a great many Serbs who think all of this has been a criminal enterprise, which will

The Milosevic forces warn of civil war if they don't win. But civil war is more probable if they win.

end in further horrors in Serbia itself. Their time to act now has arrived. On Sunday, Serbia can rid itself of Slobodan Milosevic, end the war in Bosnia and reverse the terrible course of the past year and a balf, thereby restoring Serbia to the international community of civilized and demo-

cratic nations, saving its honor. The political and economic sanctions imposed by the United Nations, and the moral condemnation of Serbia by the democracies, can be thrown off, according to the results of the election on

Sunday for the presidency of Serbia.

Mr. Milosevic seeks re-election and popular endorsement for the bloody course upon which he has set his nation. He is challenged by Milan Panic the California industrialist who returned to his native Yugoslavia to serve as the prime minister of what now is the Yugoslav federation of Serbia and Montenegro, the entity which survived the breakup of the old Yugoslav federation that existed until 1991. By William Pfaff

Mr. Panic promises - if he wins - to stop the war in Bosnia, end Serbian support for the "au-tonomous" Serb forces now prosecuting that war, stop "ethnic cleansing" and bring those who have committed ite opistice, invite those driven out of their bomes to return, and restore the frontiers that existed before the war. He seeks a reconciliation among the Yugoslav peoples.

Has he a chance to succeed? The answer is yes: a

chance. He has temporarily united what until now opposition, including leaders of the Orthodox Church. He has the support of Serbian industrialists, who understand the deep and lasting damage the war is inflicting on the national economy and the living standard of Serbia's people. He and his allies are supported by the surviving organs of a free press in Yugoslavia and now are able to make their case by radio and local or student

television in most parts of the country.

Mr. Panic was initially looked upon as a well-meaning amateur who had blundered into a political drama of sordid intrigue, reckless violence and genocidal war. He came back to Yugoslavia at Mr. Milosevic's invitation, assumed to be a political nonentity who would provide plausible ernational public relations cover for Serbia.

Mr. Miloscoic had vastly underestimated his man. Mr. Panic returned with awareness of what he was getting into, and has since struggled with great courage to make peace and restore justice in his native country. This is an affair not without

personal danger for him and his associates.

He has tried to get the United Nations to call off its economic boycott of Serbia, on grounds that hurring ordinary people would not shift the government's policies. The United Nations has justifiably replied that the Serbian people must answer for the policies of the government they have put in place. If they wish the United Nations and the Western powers to lift the boycott

and renounce intervention, they must change Serbia's policies by giving it a new government.

According to the Milosevic authorities — an alliance of former Communists, like Mr. Milosevic himself, with extreme and reactionary nation-

alists — anyone who is against aggressive and expansionist ethnic war is against Serbia. That is their attack on Mr. Panic. He has had few cards to play, since the office of Yugoslav prime minister has little power of its own, but he played them well enough to prevent the Milosevic forces from getting rid of him, and now, despite their furious opposition, he is on the ballot for Sunday's ction, and has a chance to win. He represents sanity in a situation where Yu-

goslav state television and the principal newspa-pers all are controlled by Mr. Milosevic and his allies, and all of them preach hatred and fear of Croats and Muslims as whole peoples, insisting that Serbia is the victim of aggression by a preposterous coalition of American "imperialists," German and Austrian "fascists" (in control of the whole European Community), and Mus-lim fundamentalists allied with the Pope. The Milosevic forces warn of civil war if they

don't win. Civil war is actually more probable if they do win, since a struggle with the Albanians in Kosovo and Sanjak thereby comes closer, and with that the likelihood of international war. For this reason a boycott of the election by Serbia's

Albanian population would be madness.

The Serbian people have been told lies for years now, and it is possible that the Panic campaign comes too late. His allies are a mixed and politically divided group, with conflicting interests of their own and limited resources. The army, on the other hand, has stayed out of the proceeding which has needland the Milosopic struggle, which has weakened the Milosevic camp. The prudent and pessimistic forecast is that Milan Panic will lose on Sunday. But in Serbia prudence is not a virtue universally admired, and the unexpected can happen.

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### **Europe Has to Wake Up** To Burdens in the East

By Giles Merritt

BRUSSELS—Now that the Edin-burgh summit has pulled the Eu-ropean Community out of its politi-cal tailspin, the Community should

cal tailspin, the Community should lose no time in turning again to its vitally important role of giving stability and leadership to its troubled neighbors in the rest of Europe.

The chief casualty of the past six months of declining confidence has not been the Community itself but the fragile new democracies of Eastern Europe. While Western Europe's leaders bickered over the fine print of integration, much of the rest of Europe has been suffering from fragrope has been suffering from fragmentation and collapse. Preoccup tion with the future shape of the Community is understandable, but averting economic crisis and perhaps worse in the former Comecon coun-

tries is far more urgent. The Edinburgh summit will go down in EC annals as a substantial achievement. Britain's adroit chairmanship patched together a deal that will probably enable Denmark and Britain to ratify the Maastricht Treaty on European Union. The summit defused a north-south tussle over the size of the EC budget and of help for the four poorer member states. And it opened the way for enlargement to include Austria. Sweden and Norway, perhaps as soon as 1995.

Thanks to Edinburgh, the malaise that has been gripping the Communi-ty of late should quickly lift. The events of the last six months, when the Community appeared to be fall-ing apart before our eyes, will soon be remembered as a bad dream. Brussels can now be expected to snap out of

its recent pessimistic slowdown.
Bif if the summit has ended a crisis of confidence. It has not solved the major problems that confront the whole of Europe. The greatest problem of all is rising unrest in Eastern Europe and the lack of a clearcut EC

West European governments are bogged down in discussion of NA-TO's future role and its relationship with the Europeans-only defense club of the Western European Union. As matters stand, NATO has no po-litical brief adapted to the post-Cold Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe has no military teeth.

The need for the Community to fill the security vacuum in Europe is;

increasingly clear, and the likelibood that member states will intervene militarily in Bosnia seems to strengthen by the day. A priority for the Community, therefore, is that its member states agree without delay on an analysis and definition of

No Need to Rush the GATT Package

In its rush to wind up negotis-

tions, the Bush administration is le-gitimizing Mr. Dunkel's illusion and

insisting that any changes in his draft be limited to minor tinkering.

The problem is that he does not

represent any constituents.

President Bush does, but his

mandate lasts for only a few more

weeks. Constituents ranging from

steelworkers to farmers to publish-

ers will be significantly affected by thousands of decisions in the final

The agreement will redefine the

basic rules of international com-

merce for a generation and deter-

mine whether U.S. trade laws are

rendered ineffective. There is no

compelling reason for Mr. Dunkel

and an outgoing administration to lock the world into such important

commitments in haste.
The Clinton administration will

have to work with the new Congress to write implementing legislation for the agreements. Under the fast track procedure, that legislation

cannot be amended by Congress.

which must vote it up or down with-in 60 to 90 days. Will the new ad-

ministration work so quickly, and

the new Congress cooperate so

closely, on agreements with which

By emphasizing its intention to

they were not involved?

phase of negotiations.

I FIND THE AMERICAN POSITION ON

TRADE VERY

:GULP!

By Robert E. Lighthizer

WASHINGTON - Thank

VV goodness for French farmers. They may be irascible and are subsi-dized, but they could save U.S. trade

rome U.S. poncymakers.

The farmers oppose the U.S.-European Community agreement on
agricultural subsidies, in which the
Community promised to limit the
acreage for oilseed crops. The agreement, worked out under threat of

retaliatory U.S. duties against

French white wine and other pro-

ducts, broke a stalemate in the Uru-guay Round of GATT negotiations.

hope, give pause to America's nego-

tiators, who are rushing headlong to conclude the round before Presi-

Why the rush? After six years of desultory negotiations, GATT members and their constituents remain

deeply divided on such new subjects

as rules for protecting intellectual property, the treatment of foreign

investments, fair trade in banking

eral, Arthur Dunkel, deftly created

the illusion that negotiations were

near agreement by issuing his own complete draft text. The document would seriously weaken U.S. trade

laws and come up well short of U.S.

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Objectives in most major areas.

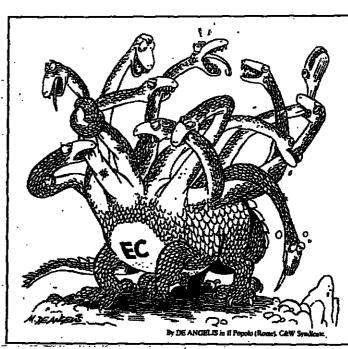
and telecommunications services.

Last year the GATT director gen-

dent George Bush leaves office.

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policy from U.S. policymakers.



their security, and on the means they Yugoslavia, there are some 14 ethnic

The Community must set out rules that will help to keep the peace from the Atlantic to well beyond the Urals. That will involve taking a position on the rights of ethnic minorities and the settlement of territorial disputes. It will also mean that EC countries must agree on the sort of economic and military sanctions they are prepared to use to enforce those miles Quite apart from the war in ex-

conclude the agreements, the Bush

administration is negotiating from weakness. Other governments need only wait for U.S. positions to soft-

en as Jan. 20 approaches. If they do not get what they want before then,

Arguments that the talks must be completed now, because the law requires the president to notify Congress of the content of the

agreements by March 1, are un-convincing. The new Congress surely would extend the deadline.

Mr. Bush should use his interim

appointment authority to place Clinton representatives in key trade

positions immediately. They could

begin to develop their own view of

the national interest. And Bill Clin-

ton would be in a better position to

carry on the negotiations without

arbitrary deadlines or unnecessary

compromises of U.S. interests.

He would also have a better basis

on which to ask an extension of

congressional fast track authority

so that a well-reasoned agreement

could be completed by late June.

Such a transition and negotiating

strategy would serve the United

States more fully than a hasty Bush

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deputy U.S. trade representative from 1983 to 1985. He contributed this

comment to The New York Times.

effort to make a deal at any cost.

they can try again afterward.

trouble spots in Eastern Europe where violence could well break out. The Community must awake to the fact that it has no choice but to

become the policeman of Europe.

The other side of the coin, of course, is that it must dramatically step up its efforts to assist the economic development of the former Communist countries. EC economic assistance represents the major share of the almost \$50 billion that has been pledged to those countries by the West. But the reality is that much of the money is only "commit-ted" rather than actually spent, and much is also earmarked as loans and even export credits. This year the Community's PHARE assistance program for Eastern Europe will

ve spent \$1.3 billion. The economies of the ex-Commu-nist countries are deteriorating fast, and political devices such as the EC associate memberships granted to Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia are failing to yield genuine gains, such as access to the Community's agricultural or steel markets. The list of crisis points in Eastern Europe ranges from crippling debt burdens to factory closures and rising unemployment, pollution levels that are choking off foreign investment, pri-vatization that has misfired and a widespread shortage of credit.

The Community needs to rethink and relaunch its effort in Eastern Europe. It should appoint an EC commissioner whose sole responsibility would be to oversee and direct that effort Eastern Europe badly lacks a powerful political spokes-man within the Community. None of these matters were

touched upon at Edinburgh, where internal ills crowded almost everything else off the agenda. The next EC summit, probably in Copenhagen in June, must focus on the wider European picture. If not, the problems of Eastern Europe may well knock the Community back off track.

International Herald Tribune.

### Time to Do **Business** in Vietnam.

By Robert Elegant

HANOI — The memory of Ho Chi Minh is today almost the sole unifying factor for the Vietnamese, a people who express profound dissatisfaction with their rulers. The name and portrait of the late revolutionary leader are everywhere. An impressionistic sketch on a billboard near the lake in central Hanoi shows "Uncle Ho" tenderly cradling a child. Beneath is the universal slogan: "Nothing in life is more precious than freedom and independence!"

Many Vietnamese heartily disngree, assigning greater priority to essentials such as food, clothing and shelter. Others declare that the "liberation" of the South in 1975 and the unification of the country under Hanoi's rule have brought them neither freedom from intrusive government nor true independence, reliant as the country is on outside assistance.

In the past half century, the Victnamese have fought many oppo-nents: the French, Americans, Chinese, Cambodians and, of course, one another. For all their trouble, they remain among the poorest people in the world, with per capita income of less than \$200.

The Vietnamese are ingenious, hardworking high achievers. They place great emphasis on ment and education. In some ways they are more Confucian than the Chinese, whose economy is now stirring mightily. Yet Vietnam remains mired in bureaucracy, corruption and inefficiency, as Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet acknowledged when he recently

inaugurated his new government.

Mr. Kiet, an economist who lost office once because he pressed too hard for reform, did not blame all or even most of the country's problems on the long-standing U.S. economic embargo. More important, the U.S. ban-prevents the World Bank and other international financial institutions from providing development finance. The embargo intensifies the suffering of the people, and works against the interests of both the United States and Vietnam. But domestic forces are far more harmful to Vietnam's growth.

The greatest deterrent to progress is the dead hand of the Communist Party apparatchiks. But even the largely ill-educated cadres are beginning, like their counterparts in China, to recognize that to retain power they must give people a more comfortable life. Otherwise, some kind of uprising, or perhaps a campaign of passive resistance, might displace them.

Vietnamese apparatchiks believe blindly (and unlike the Chinese), that they can mollify widespread discontent while continuing to exercise iron control and denying people simple human dignity. They appear to think that

in effect, two countries. True unification has not been attained; it is not even in sight. Since the defeat of the American-backed Saigon government in 1975, the South has been ruled almost as if it were under foreign occupation. Security forces are concentrated there, re-flecting Hanoi's view of it as a poten-tial hotbed of dissidence.

It is difficult to deal with a government that is capricious, suspicious and arthritic. Nonetheless, the policy of opening has resulted in significant economic progress. Vietnam now exports small quantities of rice and oil. The U.S. dollar, the country's second currency, actually depreciated by 12 percent against the dong this year, after appreciating 88 percent in 1991.

Many countries in Asia and Europe are trading and investing in

ietnam. A boom is in the making. The Bush administration on Monday announced a further easing of U.S. economic restrictions on Vietnam, saying American firms would be permitted to sign contracts that could be executed should the embar-go be lifted. However, the United States remains the odd man out. Most of its economic competitors are already established in Vietnam. The vexed issue of Americans missing in action has kept Washington from normalizing relations, though Viet-nam offers not only economic opportunities but a counterweight to an

assertive China.
It is past time for the United States to recognize Vietnam, Americans need not forget, nor necessarily forgive, but should simply acknowledge reality and necessity. Otherwise the United States will continue to punish the Viet-namese people for the sins of their rulers - and continue to act against fundamental American interests.

The writer, a novelist and former Asia correspondent for the Los Angeles Times and Newsweek, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Unenchanted Critic

PARIS - "La Flûte Enchantée" that immortal ocuvre of Mozart, which should never be absent from the bills of a musical theatre, was revived at the Opera Comique last night [Dec. 16]. The interest of the performance lies in the interpretation, and especially in the first appearance of Mile. Sybil Sanderson in the rôle of La Reine de Nuit. Hard as it is to tell the truth to such a charming person, I must con-fess that she did not quite come up to

1917: Russian Armistice

the expectations of her admirers.

GENEVA - A German telegram announces that Prince Leopold of Bavaria and the representatives of Germany's allies signed yesterday [Dec. 15] at Brest-Litovsk a 28-day armistice with Russia, to date from Dec. 17, at midday. German, Austro-Hongarian, Bulgarian and Turkish envoys are reported to have agreed to adopt a clause concerning the non-

transference of troops from the eastern front during the period of the armistice. The armistice will continue automatically beyond the time limit unless revoked by either side by seven days' notice. The signing of the armistice was immediately followed by the institution of peace negotiations.

### 1942: Hoover's Peace CHICAGO — [From our New York edition:] Herbert Hoover proposed

tonight [Dec. 16] that post-war peace making be divided into two stages to negotiate in a cool deliberate manner. The essence of my proposal is that we have no armistice, no general peace conference, such as Versailles. but that we set the peace making in two stages, the first to be an instant 'conditional peace' that will turn the world toward political, economic and spiritual recovery without the delays of last time. And then that the world should take time to cool off and work out one by one and separately the solutions for lasting peace."

### History Has a Reverse Gear And the UN Has No Map

By Jim Hoagland

an diplomat observed recently, "Almost none of us have any experience at it."

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We were talking about the bloodlet-ting in the Balkans, but his remark could apply to disaster areas in Africa or Asia as well. Instead of Francis Fukuyama's "end of history," we get its return with a twist, if not a vengeance.

In Eastern Europe, northern Iraq, Somalia, Cambodia and ex-Yugoslavia, assumptions built up over the course of the 20th century about sovereignty and the nation-state are under philosophical or even physical attack. Nation-building turns out not to be the irreversible march forward that many expected.
U.S. Marines landing in Somalia this

In Eastern Europe, Iraq, ex-Yugoslavia, Cambodia and Somalia, assumptions built up over the years are under serious attack.

month found conditions not unlike those that greeted colonialists wading onto the same rocky shores in the 19th century. The Leathernecks found no national government, warring clans that need to be separated, and human misery that needs to be attended by outsiders carrying medicine, food and guns.

This is a disorienting trip back to a place political history was supposed to line from empire, wars of national liber-ation, decolonization and on to independence. But the nightly footage of the shattered streets of Mogadishu shows that history has a reverse gear, too. In nearly a score of African countries,

colonialism's supposedly civilizing im-print and the moral authority of the ational liberation theories that colonialism spawned have been expunged with startling thoroughness. The material disaster of these societies is matched by moral and political debilitation.

Somalia exists as a state in news accounts and in debates at the United Nations. But on the ground it appears to be a post-national collage of horrors, in which the horizons that were supposed to progress outward from family to clan to tribe to nation to "international community" have telescoped backward into

solitary, hand-to-mouth existence. The concept of the "international community," with the United Nations as its embodiment, is being temporarily strengthened by the stark needs of na-tions that are deconstructing themselves. Discussions about the need for a new "trusteeship" system run by the United

WASHINGTON — It is hard figur-ing out how to live in the 19th century, an experienced and able Europe-sitivities, This idea is now surging into the months ago because of Third World sensitivities, This idea is now surging into the

open as military operations organized or blessed by the UN proliferate. Speaking to UN officials, diplomats and journalists in a small village a few weeks ago, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Cambodia's traditional ruler, employed irony to describe the situation created by the presence of 20,000 UN troops and administrators charged with keeping the peace, organizing elections and running parts of Cambodia's existing interim government: "Cambodia is no longer sovereign,"

he said. "Before, we were a protectorate of France, but we had only one master. Now we are again a protectorate. The difference is that we now have many patrons, many masters ... But I know that next year we will be independent again. The United Nations will not have

enough money to stay."

Prince Sihanouk for once goes to the heart of the matter, not only about Cambodia but about other former colonial lands as well. Will having "many patrons, many masters" from outside imposing their more diffuse vision of order and justice produce more durable effects than the era of "one master"? Or will an international body with no tangible economic or political advantages to gain by staying be even more likely to cut and run?

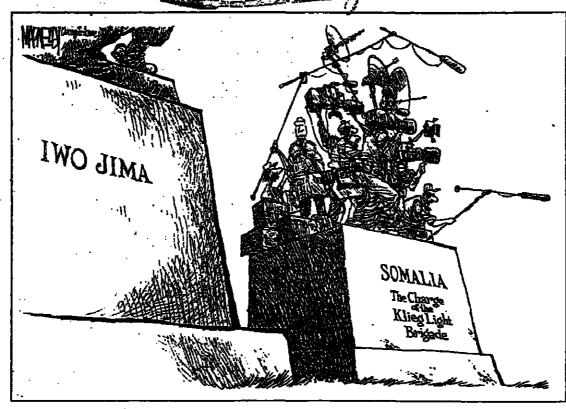
That is what the colonialists did, usually at a time or in a manner guaranteed to leave behind even greater disasters than those they had come to resolve. In Orwellian fashion, the disorderly European retreat from colonies after World War II was described as an exercise in nation-building by indigenous forces, when it was the reverse: The spent colonialists usually left behind the bor-ders they drew and the state structures they organized. The price of admission to the United Nations for the new enti-

ties was acceptance of these outside, artificial arrangements. Their breakdown is increasingly visible in the wake of the Cold War, as is the fraying of the earlier outside arrangements of the Balkans, Mesopotamia (modern lraq) and the Central Europelands following World War I.

The broadening of the debate about international humanitarian responsibility and UN crisis management sparked by the emerging thousand points of up-heaval around the globe is healthy.

The point of departure for the debate

has to be meeting the urgent needs of the peoples of Somalia, Bosnia, Cambodia and elsewhere. But, as Prince Sihanouk suggests, the still fragile international community has to be mindful of the limited nature of its resources and the damage it could do itself by repeating the mistakes of other well-meaning outsiders of a bygone century.



#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### The UN and Somalia

The announcement of a new United Nations operation for Mozambique makes William Pfaff's article "Should the United Nations Be Taken Seriously?"

(Opinion, Dec. 8) all the more timely.

Mr. Pfaff argues that "the real problem lies in imposing UN authority." He is right. Contempt for the UN may be the one thing most Somalis agree upon. This is because of the callous indifference the UN and its specialized agencies have shown toward the Somalis' plight in the last two years.

The failure of the 500 Pakistani troops

sent by the UN is widely cited in justifying U.S. intervention. But why did they fair? The Security Council approved the deployment of 3,500 troops in April. On Aug. 12, Mohammed Sahmoun, the former special envoy to Somalia, persuaded General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, a principal warlord, to accept the troops.

They should have been ready to leave at a moment's notice. They did not arrive in Somalia until Oct. 8, and then spent a month waiting for guns, blue helmets and transport. Mr. Sahnoun urged that they be seen in town and used in some capacity that would win peo-ple's trust. Instead, they brought their own cooks, seldom ventured out and when they did, they traveled in huge protected convoys, behaving like an oc-cupation army under siege. In November, they were deployed at the airport by Mr. Sahnoun's successor, without con-sultations, triggering a bloody clash. The idea that Somalia should become

have "cleaned up" the country is laughable. The UN has no authority in Somalia because neither the parties to the conflict nor the Somali people have any respect for it - and for good reason.

RAKIYA OMAAR. ALEX de WAAL.

Rakiya Omaar was dismissed last week as director of the human-rights organiza-tion Africa Watch after she publicly op-posed the U.S. military mission in Soma-lia. Her associate director, Alex de Waal, resigned in solidarity.

Clip the Chairmen's Wings Regarding the editorial "Term Limits Are Wrong" (Nov. 4):

I agree wholeheartedly with the argument against term limitations in the U.S. Congress. Supporters of term limits are apparently attempting to curtail domi-nation by entrenched incumbents. I suggest this alternative:

The key legislative activities occur in congressional committees and subcommittees. The most influential legislators in Congress are the committee chairmen. Rather than limit the number of terms they can serve, a more democratic solution would be to open chairman-ships to direct election. At present, irmen are chosen by seniority rule and power games. Too often, they cater to narrow special interests.

If committee chairmanships were included in a general election, the parties in Congress could still nominate candidates, but the ultimate decision would a UN trusteeship once the U.S. marines

What should be limited is the number of committees and subcommittees upon which a congressman may serve. The typical senator now sits on 11 such committees and the average representative about seven, giving them impossible schedules and rendering committees far less effective. The result has been an unhealthy increase in the power of the committee chairmen and of unelected congressional staff members. Limiting the number of committees upon which a representative may serve would help restore control to legislators.

MICHAEL J. MASONE.

#### The Root of Happiness

Regarding "Near Felicity, Listening to ion, Dec. 10) by Derek Walcott:

This article was a delight. The felicity of Mr. Walcott's prose was in its poetic nature. But he erred in attributing the word felicity to Anglo-Saxon origins. My battered Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. fifth edition, says it stems from the Latin felix, meaning happy or fruitful.

V. W. H. GREENWAY.

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### Winter's Barren Landscape Looks Great Over the Mantel

By Anne Raver

some wild grapevines.
"I'd make a ball of the vines and put

white lights in it and hang it in my maple tree in the garden," he said. I had never thought of such a thing,

but what a good idea. The holidays can be a great excuse to get outside and look at the so-called barren winter landscape. You discover it isn't barren at all but is loaded with

#### MEANWHILE

dried fruits and seed pods, berries and rose hips, curlicued stems, like the corkscrew willow, vines, grasses and catkins.

Along with the usual holly, pine cones and evergreen boughs that most people are used to cutting for the mantel, there are all kinds of raw materials out there in the woods and fields, along sandy shores and roadsides and in your own backyard, if you have one.

And while you are out wandering, take along your tree book. With the leaves off the boughs, there is no better time to appreciate the magnificent shape of an aged beech tree (whose bark al-ways reminds me of weary old ele-phants), or the exfoliating bark of an old Cornus kousa, or Japanese dogwood. You notice the little things, like the funny little prickly brown balls, or

fruits, hanging from the bare branches

f a sweetgum tree. The American sweetgum (liquidambar styraciflua) is a swamp lover that will do just fine in drier soils. It is a great shade tree, with star-shaped leaves that turn yellow or brilliant or-ange and red in the fall. (These jaunts tend to extend one's wish list, which will need a few acres to accommodate.)

The Chinese toon tree, Cedrela sinensis, is loaded with dried fruits shaped like little brown and tan tulips. I ad-mired one in the Brooklyn Botanic Garden the other day, and could well imagine some of its branches woven into a

wreath or table arrangement.

The problem is that you cannot go pillaging trees in public gardens, so try to find these treasures in private gardens and get permission to do a bit of pruning. Clematis is another good source for decorations, especially vines with the silvery filigree-type seed heads, like golden clematis or Pamela Jackman.

For red berries, there are the American and English hollies, of course. English holly has glossy green leaves and isn't as hardy as its American cousin; American holly has more of a matte finish to its leaves, and it is more susceptible to leaf miners.

Hawthorn berries are a satisfying orange-red, and nicely set off by the tree's nooth gray bark. I also like crab ap-

N EW YORK — A friend of mine was longing for a car the other day so he could get out of the city and find specks. Rose hips, especially the big fat ones from rosa rugosa, are a good deep red, and there are plenty of climbers with pretty sprays of rose hips, so head for the beaches, or your own rose garden. If you do get into dune territory, prune a little bayberry, but don't go digging up any whole plants. The fragrant gray berries are like a whiff of the country.

Japanese beautyberry, or callicarpa japonica, is covered with violet-blue berries this time of year, and a few branches would look beautiful in a vase.

As for wreaths, use your imagination. Stephen Scanniello, the rosarian at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, made one this year out of rambler rose canes, but:1 would choose something more benign like grapevines. Or try young bambon

canes. Or forsythia. Anything limber.

My sister made me one of Oriental bittersweet, and if you do not mind the orange-yellow pods dropping all over the place, it is beautiful. It is also an invasive weed, so do the environment a favor and cut as much as you wan). Wisteria can also make a good frame for a wreath, as well as another weed, Japanese knotweed. Wisteria's seed pods. those velvety green six-inch-long (15-centimeter) pendants, have got to be perfect for something. Maybe just hang

them on the tree, or around your nect.

The big dark green glossy leaves of magnolia grandiflora, with their cinnamon brown undersides, would make a powerful wreath, and the oval-shaped fruits, which open up to release salmoncolored seeds, and then turn tones of velvety gray and cinnamon, have an of-nate medieval look to them. Serve grog with this decoration.

There are also acorns and horse chestnuts, which have a rich brown sheen to them, but don't confuse them with chestnuts roasting on an open fire: these are inedible. If you have a quince tree, or can find one, put some of the yellow-green fruits in a bowl for yet another fragrance to woo the guests. It's somewhere between citrus and apple.

The list goes on. Poppy seed pods.
Dried yarrow. Papery hydrangea blossoms — especially the graceful paniele hydrangea — look great in the right vase, and some people even love that blossy pink and blue one macrophylla. But pink and blue one, macrophylla. But

then, some people love whisky sours. All this is just an excuse to get out and look at the bleak midwinter. Actually, I don't go in for a lot of dried flowers and pods and stuff. I just saw a picture in one of the glossy magazines of some designer's living room. He had about five evergreens standing where most people would put the Christmas tree Nary an ornament or a light in sight lt was beautiful.

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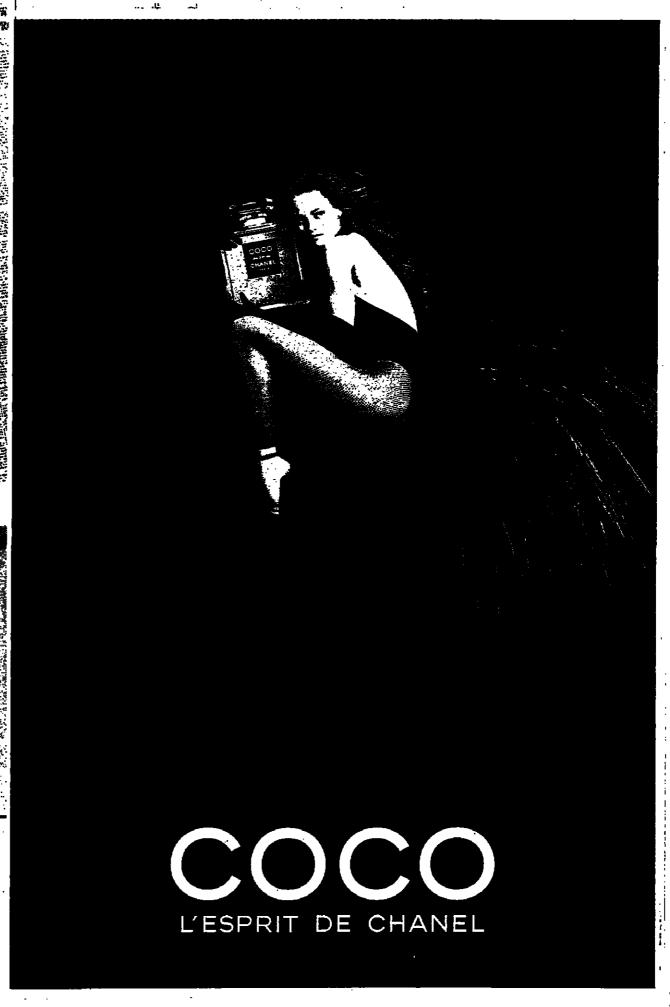
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### No Concessions To U.K. or France, **China Official Says**

EIJING — Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said Wednesday that

nd concessions would be made in China's disputes with Britain over Hong Kong and with France over the sale of warplanes to Taiwan.

The disputes have a direct bearing on China's national interests we cannot make concessions on such issues," Mr. Qian said.

He took a swipe at Governor Chris Patten of Hong Kong, a sign that the Chinese leadership feels it cannot work with the man who has proposed more democracy for the colony before it returns to Chinese copetrolin 1997.

Mr. Patten is Hong Kong's last governor." Mr. Qian said in a rare stion-and-answer session with foreign reporters.

Hong Kong is not his constituency. He does not need to go upund campaigning so much. China has threatened to nullify Hipng Kong's contracts and replace its government in 1997, if Mr. Pat-

el goes ahead with his proposed On the issue of French sales of dirage warplanes to Taiwan, ich China considers one of its provinces. Mr. Qian had a particu-lary sharp warning.

think we will necessarily have trong reaction, both on the econemic side and on the political side." he said.

Now, the French government is I telling us that they have not officially ratified this deal. We must wait and see what the French ibe actually does."

Mr. Qian did not respond when

would do. He said merely that China was waiting for France to make a formal announcement.

According to French and Taiwan news reports, the deal is signed, but the French government has declined to confirm as much

France may be waiting to see what measures, if any, China takes against the United States, which has announced plans to sell F-16 fighters to Taiwan. Since President George Bush was voted out of office last month, China has suspended its lobbying on the F-16 issue, waiting until President-elect Bill Clinton takes office.

"This issue is not over," Mr. Oian said.

He welcomed Mr. Clinton's recent statements hinting at support for continuation of Beijing's mostfavored-nation trade status despite objections to China's human rights practices and its sales of advanced weapons to Iran and Pakistan.

"I think Mr. Clinton's statements square with the facts." he

And Mr. Oian said the visit of the Russian president, Boris N. Yeltsin, who is expected in Beijing on Thursday, would mark the beginning of a new era of relations.

"The visit to China by President Yeltsin will be an important one," Mr. Qian said.

"It is necessary for China and Russia to have discussions concerning issues of mutual interest and to make arrangements with regard to bilateral cooperation.

(AP. Reuters,



Woody Allen, after attending a pretrial hearing in his custody battle with Mia Farrow.

### Woody Allen in Court: Preview of a Real Fight

By Richard Perez-Pena New York Times Service

NEW YORK - In a hearing that saw more venomous ex-changes than substantive movement and provided a preview of the long, bruising struggle ahead, Woody Alien has appeared in State Supreme Court here to watch his lawyers gain a little ground in his custody battle with his former lover. Mia Farrow.

Acting Justice Elliott Wilk ruled that Ms. Farrow, who did not appear in court, must turn over to Mr. Allen a copy of the videotape on which 7-year-old Dylan Farrow, the estranged couple's adopted daughter, reported-ly says that Mr. Allen molested her. Mr. Allen has denied the molestation claim.

The judge also turned down Ms. Farrow's request that Mr. Allen's suit for sole custody be put on hold pending the outcome of her own suit to void his claim to two of their three children.

Ms. Farrow won in a few other disputes. Justice Wilk prohibited Mr. Allen from making contact with Dylan's school and rejected his request that the court appoint a psychiatrist to treat the girl and guardians to look after the wel-fare of all three children until custody is resolved.

But while the judge was called upon to rule on many aspects of the case - including whether Mr. Allen should be permitted to give birthday and Christmas gifts to the children - anger and mistrust were prevalent.

Lawyers for the two sides repeatedly interrupted, accusing one another or each other's clients of dishonesty, and, unwilling or unable to compromise directly,

tentionally trying to drive a wedge between Mr. Allen and the three children." He said that she has prevented Mr. Allen from seeing Satchel Farrow, 5, the only one of the three children who is not adopted, for more than a month. and Dylan and another adopted. Moses Farrow, 14. for more than four months.

J. Martin Obten, another of Mr. Allen's lawyers, asserted that Ms. Farrow had shown the videotape of Dylan to friends.

Eleanor Alter, one of Ms. Farrow's lawyers, countered that she had hotel and telephone records proving that, contrary to Mr. Al-ien's claims, he had carried on simultaneous intimate relationships until early this year with Ms. Farrow and her adopted daughter, Soon-Yi Farrow Previn.

The attorney again raised the matter of nude photographs of Miss Previn taken by Mr. Allen. "These are not model pictures," she insisted. "These are Polaroid pictures of a young woman with her legs spread, naked."

Lawyers on both sides accused each other's clients of lying on statements of their net worth that were submitted to the courts statements showing Mr. Allen with assets of more than \$16 million and Ms. Farrow with more

than \$3.8 million.
Still to be resolved by Justice Wilk are whether Mr. Allen may visit one, two or all three children pending the outcome of the case, whether he should pay Ms. Farrow's legal fees and whether those fees are legitimate.

"If the arms are not collected.

The big loser here — besides the

warlords — has been the United Nations, which has seen its peace-

ed States. The 500 Pakistani troops

dispatched here by the United Na-

tions proved ineffective and be-

came bogged down in talks with

warlords and other factions, and

the American troops have quickly

was supposed to fall to the UN

secretary-general's special envoy,

but Mr. Oakley, the American en-

voy, managed to achieve in hours what the United Nations had not

achieved in months: a meeting and

agreement between Mogadishu's

two principal warlords, Moham-med Ali Mahdi and General Mo-

hammed Farrah Aidid.

The task of political mediation

reduced them to irrelevance.

side those areas.

national product was likely to shrink by 0.5 percent in 1993. Recovery in Japan, Mr. Shigeappeared determined to litigate every detail of the dispute. One of Mr. Allen's lawyers, Harvey I. Sladkus, accused Ms. Farrow of "systematically and inhara said, also risks being more hesitant than the 2.3 percent growth forecast in the report. For the OECD countries as a group, the outlook is unchanged, because the adjustments for the largest three countries will tend to cancel out, Mr. Shigehara said. Thus, the overall outlook on

> percent by 1994. Mr. Shigehara said the OECD had not yet calculated what effect lower growth in Germany would have on the prospects for the rest of

growth remains a gloomy 1.9 per-cent next year, advancing to 2.9

**GROWTH:** 

**OECD Forecast** 

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Europe. But the data in the Economic Outlook was already morose, with European growth in 1993 seen virtually unchanged from this year's 1 percent and unemployment expected to rise and remain stuck through 1994 at 10.6 percent of the labor force — or 20.1 million people — from this year's 9.9 percent.
"Many of those who become un-

employed over the next two years will drift into long-term unemployment, with all that entails in terms of erosion of skills and morale, and financial hardship," the OECD

Despite this somber forecast of weak growth and rising unemployment, the report advised governments to resist the urge for a quick fix, trying to spend their way into a

The Economic Outlook emphasized the need to maintain "a sound and stable macroeconomic environment to support growth over

the medium term." In the OECD's view, "it is difficult to see how consumer and busi-ness confidence can be restored un-less the authorities deal effectively

with unsound public-sector financial positions." Acknowledging that "a number of countries" were contemplating such moves, the report said it was "imperative" that any fiscal expansion "be both temporary and ac-companied by a credible commit-

ment to unwind it when the economy picks up. "While the recovery is relatively slow," the OECD said, "it may be more sustainable than past recoveries. By locking in low inflation and keeper role supplanted by the Unit- avoiding fiscal imbalances, the overheating that contributed to ending past expansions may be

> The only OECD area-wide improvement projected is on the inflation front - falling from 3.5 percent this year to 3.2 percent next year and 2.5 percent by the end of

Based on present trends, the OECD sees inflation in the United States and Japan running at 1.7 percent by the end of 1994 and area-wide inflation at a 30-year low of around 21/2 percent.

Germany is the exception, with inflation seen easing to 4.6 percent next year and to 3.3 percent in

### Airport in Famine Belt Is Taken Without a Fight

By William Claiborne

BAIDOA, Somalia - Despite the ease with which the joint allied expeditionary forces have seized their first three objectives. U.S. officials continued to warn Wednesday of grave peril ahead as American-led troops pushed farther into omalia's hinterland to open channels of food to the stary-

After an anti-climactic march into the nearly deserted streets of this south-central town at dawn Wednesday, U.S. Marines and French Foreign Legionnaires worked throughout the day to establish positions around the airport, from where they will guard food convoys against marauding

"Three times in a row we've been able to walk in peacefully without a shot being fired in anger," said Colonel Fred Peck, a Marine spokesman. "I just hope it stays that way."

He was referring to the Marines' Dec. 9 amphibious landing in Mogadishu, the taking of an abandoned Soviet air base at Bali Dosle on Sunday and the unopposed securing of Baidoa on Wednesday.

Partly reflecting a tone set in military briefings beforehand, news organizations in each instance had heightened public expectations of volatile resistance from heavily armed militiamen who have been adrift since Somalia's bitter twovear civil war played itself out before the Marines' arrival. Baidoa just before the mechanized column moved into town As they had done just before the allied forces arrived in Wednesday.

Mogadishu and Bali Dogle, outgunned militiamen in their makeshift fighting vehicles, or "technicals," quietly with-

drew northward toward the Ethiopian border Tuesday night. A ragtag contingent of security guards, who for months had extracted extortionary landing fees for relief agency aircraft bringing in emergency food, quietly surrendered their weapons and were escorted off the airfield by Marines. In each case the pattern was the same: The gunmen, apparently monitoring the U.S. forces' announcements of

their intentions, engaged in last-minute sprees of looting and blood-feud attacks on their antagonists and then withdrew without trying to challenge the vastly superior forces. The Marines, in full combat readiness and briefed to expect to have to engage in street fighting, in each case

appear to have been surprised to find more journalists and camera operators in their path than anyone else. When asked whether his worst fears of being drawn into

conflict with the gunmen were over, the U.S. special envoy, Robert B. Oakley, said Wednesday:

No. We're proceeding one step at a time. We are preparing very carefully on the military side and the political side, but we can't say that the example of Mogadishu and Baidoa

will be repeated elsewhere." Mr. Onkley was apparently referring to Bardera and Kismayu, two towns in which eleventh-hour looting and banditry have been reported to be increasing, as they did in

With the securing of Baidoa, Colonel Peck said, the first phase of Operation Restore Hope has been completed, and the allied forces will gradually proceed to secure eight humanitarian aid centers around Somalia's famine belt from which to bring food to the hungry.

As reporters and photographers scrambled to record the first emergency food convoy to leave Baidoa's airport since the Marines' arrival, token shipments of grain were trucked to an orphanage here and a warehouse on the outskirts of town — neither of which was significant in light of the thousands of tons that are moved out of the airport every

But, as with the case of a convoy of food trucked across Mogadishu with a U.S. escort earlier this week, the Wednesday shipment was heavy with symbolism, since it marked a first for the Marines.

Mr. Oakley has been meeting periodically with some of Somalia's factional warlords, including General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, who controls most of Mogadishu, and his chief rival. Mohammed Ali Mahdi, who controls an enclave in the north of the city and who calls himself interim

Referring to the two warlords, Mr. Oakley said: "Three weeks ago, the two main elements here in Mogadishu were at war with each other. If you think about how long it took the War, you realize these people are moving at the speed of

#### MISSION: Police or Provider? creates "zones of insecurity" out-

operation so far. "I am very pleased," said Colonel Fred Peck, a Marine spokesman. "The flow of forces is moving well." he added, saying, "We didn't get much resishow can law and order be established?" Mr. Addou said,

Asked why the first Baidoa convoy did not carry any food for the starving. Colonel Peck called the operation a military one aimed at opening and securing the route between there and Mogadishu.

"It's not been our intention to become the food distributors," he said, adding that U.S. troops would be working with relief agencies to ensure that food was delivered to the countryside.

"The Americans have gone beyond just allowing people to be fed," said Abdullah Ahmed Addou, a former Somali ambassador to Washington, commenting on the expanded American role here. "For anyone in Somalia who enjoyed a of weapons -- I think reality is different today, and tomorrow it will be even more different."

The Americans' assertion of power has been accomplished without U.S. casualties, confounding at least so far - the predictions of warlords here and military analysts in the United States that the loss of American lives was likely.

The dominant position now taken by the United States in Somalia - and the new weakness of the warlords - has led to heightened expectations and demands that have caused confusion about the

Americans' role For example, on the question of disarming the warlords' gangs and others in a country where guns are abundant, U.S. military officials here insist that they are confiscating weapons only in those limited areas under the control of U.S. forces, and then only if the troops decide that a person carrying weap

ons constitutes a threat. But many Somalis and relief offierwise, creating "zones of security" around the U.S.-controlled areas

How it Looks for the G-7 OECD projections, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.

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### ISRAEL: Militants to Be Expelled MARKET: Latest Line Doesn't Sell on Moscow Streets

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gal point of view, some steps may he interpreted by some foreign observers às inappropriate. But looking at the content of the steps it will be seen as reasonable and serving a sustifiable cause."

"We are going to look around to and the most severe steps Israel in allows to reduce - if not evaprate — to reduce the operational effectiveness of Hamas and the Islimic Jihad," the official said.

The intensity of this series of events is unacceptable," he said, referring to the attacks on Israeli military targets.

More than 1,600 Hamas activists and followers were in custody Wednesday as Israeli patrols connued to search for armed gangs hat carried out the recent attacks, Officials said that most of those betained were political and spirituil leaders and activists, not the rand-core guerrillas who carried out the attacks.

According to an Israeli source, the Hamas deportees will be expelled for one and a half or two years, after which they may be permitted to return. In addition, the source said, the families of the deportees will be allowed to appeal the expulsions immediately to Isra-

The decision to resume deportations marks a shift for Mr. Rabin, who in August canceled the planned expulsion of 11 Palestinians from the occupied territories

cl's high court.

as a conciliatory gesture.

The deportations had been ordered by the previous government of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and had drawn intense internation-

al criticism. In a resolution passed Jan. 6 with the support of the United States, the United Nations Security Council, using some of the barshest language ever against Israel, strongly condemned the planned deporta-

all Russian citizens last Oct. 1 as. their share in the national wealth. Issued at a face value of 10,000 rubles (\$23.80), the vouchers had tumbled to 4,000 in street trading. until recently, when with the first official auctions of state-owned factories, they began to climb up again slowly. But the value of the voucher has fallen again on Moscow's infant stock exchanges, and

the best Pavel could offer his customers was 6,000 rubles. "There is no certainty now," said Pavel, who declined to give his last name. "I'm worried too. If those who do serious business don't want to put their money in vouchers,

they must know something." "As far as I can tell, Chernomyrdin is not of the same view as Gaidar.

In his case, buying vouchers on the street, and selling them to bro-

6,000 rubles a week, much more stores sell for dollars only, putting than at his old state job.

"What we have to do now is accumulate capital," said Pavel's colleague, who declined to give his name. "But then the question will be where to put it." Lyudmila, a 44-year-old unemployed teacher who comes to Luzh-

niki twice a week, also had a bad day, selling only six hand-knit baby outlits, for 600 rubles apiece. "The government itself does not seem to know what it wants to do next." Lyudmila said. "The problem is that this transition is taking

such a long time. These reforms are going so slowly, and in the meantime, it is very difficult for people Across town, Irina Pogribnaya was spending part of the afternoon browsing through Petrovski Passage, a turn-of-the-century mall in

the heart of Moscow that is now

the goods beyond the reach of the ordinary Russian, particularly those on government salaries. But even if the glitter is more

than they can afford, the people strolling through the mall were not complaining about its existence. Most agree that this influx of imported goods, and the glimpse of the good life, has been one of the benefits of the economic changes

Like Lyudmila, Mrs. Pogribnaya, 40, has taken up trading to element the family income. With three small children, she can devote only a few days a week to her business, which consists of selling food produce outside her local subway station.

In a good week, she brings home 14,000 rubles, enough to keep her-self smartly dressed, to pay for her children's private music and Eng-the forces should establish checkchildren's private music and English lessons, and to keep up with the points to collect all firearms. Othrestored and filled with two floors inflation that has been steadily riskers is a way to earn from 5,000 to of gleaming boutiques. Most of the ing all year.

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PRE-ELECTION ARREST — The police in Taipei arresting an opposition supporter Wednesday as protesters clashed with officers guarding the headquarters of the Knomintang, the governing party. Opposition legislators accused the Knomintang of dishonest real estate dealings. Parliamentary elections are set for Saturday, with 348 candidates seeking 125 seats.

### Rebels Abduct 19 UN Soldiers

### Khmer Rouge Again Undercuts Peace Effort

By Philip Shenon New York Times Service

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BANGKOK - Khmer Rouge guerrillas have taken hostage 19 UN peacekeeping troops in central Cambodia in the second such incident this month, the United Nations announced Wednesday.

The seizure of the 19 peacekeepers, along with two Cambodian translators working for the United Nations, led foreign diplomats in Cambodia to wonder how much longer the Cambodian peace settlement can survive if the Khmer Rouge rebels continue to violate terms of the cease-fire by harassing UN troops.

The peacekeepers taken hostage in the new incident — 15 Indonesians and one each from the United States, China, France and Senegal — were reportedly being held about 10 kilometers east of the city of Kompong Thom, north of

was optimism that, as in the earlier incident this month, that they would be freed unharmed within a

A UN spokesman, Eric Falt, said officials in the Phnom Penh office of the Khmer Rouge insisted that they knew nothing about the seizure. "But they swiftly issued an order from Phnom Penh ordering their release," he said. Mr. Falt said the local Khmer

Rouge commander who took the peacekeepers into custody had not ssued any demands in return for their release.

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Thom Province, a band of Khmer Rouge rebels took six peacekeeping troops hostage for three days before releasing them, unharmed, on orders of Khmer Rouge command-The new hostage-taking incident the settlement, the Khmer Rouge has refused to disarm its troops, insisting that it will not demobilize began Tuesday, when Khmer Rouge guerrillas captured two United Nations military observers —the French and Chinese soldiers. until it has proof that Vietnamese troops no longer remain in Cambodia. The Khmer Rouge government was toppled in 1979 in a Vietnam-When the two did not return to base on Wednesday, 17 other peacekeeping troops and the two translators went to find them, and

The United Nations has placed 22,000 peacekeeping troops, police officers and civilian administrators in Cambodia to prepare the nation for elections scheduled for next spring. The Khmer Rouge has said that it does not intend to participate in the election.

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### Malaysia Near Deal On Russian Aircraft

### NATO Restrictions Prompt A Turn to New Arms Sources

By Michael Richardson

KUALA LUMPUR — Malaysia ppears close to a decision to end is reliance on Western arms by buying jet fighters and attack helicopters from Russia, partly be-cause the United States and other North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries put restrictions on the sale of advanced weapons to developing nations.

The Malaysian defense minister,

Najib Razak, said that Russia had offered to supply its most sophisticated aircraft, engines, avionics and missiles at substantially cheap-er prices than their Western coun-

Mr. Najib also seemed to rule out U.S. and French planes as serious contenders in the competition with the Russian MiG-29 to provide Malaysia with a new generation air defense fighter.

He said that a number of weapons used by the U.S. Air Force and Navy would not be permitted for Malaysia, which is not a NATO

Certain types of U.S. equipment, such as C-130 transport planes and F-5 fighters in service with the Malaysian armed forces, were readily

"But if we want Phoenix air-toair missiles, there are a lot of ques-tions," he said in an interview. "I am not sure whether things like, that would be allowed for Malay-

Western military officials said Malaysia was expected to buy perhaps 24 MiG-29s and six Hind helicopter gunships from Russia in a deal worth more than \$500 million.

The end of the Cold War and the emergence of a democratic government in Moscow has given Malaysia the flexibility to turn away from traditional arms suppliers in the Some Malaysian analysts also link the turn to Russia as part of an

toward the United States, that Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mo-hamad has adopted on a number of However, Mr. Najib denied any such motivation, saying that Ma-laysia continued to have close co-operation with the United States in

anti-Western attitude, particularly

defense, trade, investment and edu-"Our criticism of the U.S. is is-sue-oriented," he said. "It is not anti-American per se."

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into this market because it is one of the few areas of the world where military sales are growing," said a. Western defense attaché. "If Malaysia successfully operates Russian combat aircraft, other non-Communist countries in Asia

might follow." China is already a significant customer for Russian arms, and further sales are likely to be discussed during a visit to Beijing by Boris N. Yeltsin, the Russian president, starting Thursday.

Analysts said that the Philippines, Indonesia, South Korea and Vietnam were also potential cus-tomers for Russian military equip-

The Russian news agency Interfax quoted Defense Ministry sources in Moscow last week as saying that talks were under way with South Korea for the sale of multiple-rocket launchers, anti-air-craft systems, the Su-25 ground at-tack aircraft and the Su-27 inter-

Interfax also quoted Pyotr O. Aven, the Russian economic relations minister, as saying that Moscow "had effectively" reached an agreement with Malaysia on the sale of 30 MiG-29s.

However, Mr. Najib said that negotiations had not been concluded, although he hoped that a final decision could be made soon, once remaining technical questions about the operating life of the MiG-29 engine and maintenance of the aircraft were resolved.

He said that Kuala Lumpur was insisting that it be given the training to service and repair the MiG-29 in Malaysia.

"The primary concern is the future reliability of Russia as a de-fense supplier," said Mak Joo Nam, senior military analyst at the Institute of Strategic and Interna-tional Studies in Kuala Lumpur. India, which bought both MiG-

29s and Hind helicopter gunships from the former Soviet Union, complained this year about a shortage of spare parts because of disorganization of the defense industry following the breakup of the Soviet Union. Mr. Najib said that there had

been "a lot of disinformation" about the MiG-29, which he linked to "certain sectors that are not comfortable" about Malaysia buying the aircraft. He noted that Malaysia had

bought arms from Britain and the United States in the past. "Even if we buy from the Russians," he said, "it does not preclude us buying from the Americans for certain other types of products which are

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EW YORK —A quarter billion years ago, something so terrible happened on Earth that up to 96 percent of plant and animal species were wiped out. The cause of this greatest of all global catastrophes remains unknown. but evidence is mounting that the main culprit was a volcanic eruption that covered much of Siberia with molten rock, touching off an ice age and a worldwide deluge of lethal acid rain.

This mass extinction, which occurred at the end of the Permian period, was the subject of papers presented last week at a meeting of the American Geophysical Union and in the journal Science.

Earth clean of animal groups from trilobites in the ocean to ferocious

reptile carnivores living on land. The "great dying," as some scientists call it, radically changed the history of life on the planet. It ushout out up to 96 percent ered most species into oblivion but opened ecological niches for a host of plant and of others, including the dinosaurs of the Mesozoic era that followed. animal species.

Like the other episodes of mass extinction discovered in the fossil record, the deadly wave of Permian extinctions has acid rain. This, coupled with climatic changes or the excited endless speculation as to what caused it. But loss of habitats, could have snuffed out many species. few hard facts have turned up. One reason is that it occurred so long ago that many possible clues have been obliterated by geological processes. Some scientists believe the disasters may have been caused by meteorites or comets crashing on the Earth. All modern impact theories have their roots in a 1979 discovcry by Dr. Walter Alvarez of the University of Califor-

nia at Berkeley and his colleagues.

The researchers discovered a thin layer of iridiumenriched sediment separating sediments laid down during the Cretaceous period, when dinosaurs flourished, from the later Tertiary period, when dinosaurs had disappeared.

 Iridium, a precious metal belonging to the platinum group of elements, is more abundant in meteorites han in terrestrial rocks, and many experts regard the abnormally high content of iridium in strata laid down at the Cretaceous-Terriary boundary as strong evidence of an extraterrestrial impact.

But no such sharp iridium anomaly has been found in sediments coinciding with any of the other mass extinctions. Moreover, indium is often found in asso-ciation with volcanic eruptions, particularly in the Siberian Traps, a region known for its rich ores of platinum-group metals, including iridium. This fact has helped to keep scientific debate bubbling.

· Even the causes of much more recent extinctions, including the event that ended the Cretaceous period 65 million years ago and wiped out the dinosaurs,

and gaps in the fossil and geologic records.

The Permian extinction, nearly four times as old as the Cretaceous extinction, is all the harder to decipher. Nonetheless, an important new clue has emerged to what may have been a major or even principal cause of the Permian extinction. It has come from study of a geological formation called the Siberian Traps, an expanse of volcanic rock 870 miles (1,400 killometers in diameter that borders Lake Baikal.

Floods of volcanic basalt often have a terraced appearance; and the geological term "trap" is derived

from the Swedish word for "stairs." Although the ages of the vast Siberian lava field and the Permian mass extinction were apparently similar, convincing evidence was lacking that these ages actually coincided.

An international group of scientists has now found that the eruptions that created the flood of molten basalt in the Siberian Traps occurred in something less than 600,000 years, beginning 248 million years ago.
Their study also showed that the Siberian eruptions

were probably violent enough to blast immense amounts of dust and aerosol droplets into the upper atmosphere, where they could have blocked sunlight for a long time, thereby drastically cooling the Earth and causing polar ice caps to grow at the expense of the seas' liquid water.

There seem to have been rapid and large fluctua-tions in global sea levels during this period, they The devastating Permian catastrophe swept the reported, which would have drastically upset habitats.

especially of many marine organisms. Such a situation could explain why the Permian extinctions were much more severe for marine animals than land animals.

The scientists have found, moreover, that the volcanic blasts that created the Siberian Traps would have converted immense quantities of sulfate minerals into sulfur dioxide gas and sulfuric acid likely to fall back to Earth in the form of

The new evidence was reported last week by Dr. Gerald K. Czamanske of the U.S. Geological Survey at Menlo Park, California, in the journal Science, and in a talk he gave at the American Geophysical Union meeting in San Francisco.

Dr. Czamanske, with two Australian colleagues and two Russian scientists, used an ultrasensitive and carefully calibrated dating technique to gauge the ages

They did this by measuring the extent to which uranium and thorium in the minerals had been transformed by radioactive decay to various forms of lead. Some scientists have long theorized that vast upvellings of volcanic basalt at various periods in the

past caused major mass extinctions. in 1988 Dr. Michael R. Rampino and Dr. Richard B. Stothers of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center said in an article in Science that 9 of the 10 greatest mass extinction events of all time more or less coincided with continental floods of volcanic basalt in various parts of the world, and that these extinctions might

have been caused by volcanism. The most famous mass extinction, generally ranked about fifth in overall severity, was the Cretaceou event, the catastrophe that exterminated the dinosaurs. This occurred about the time of a huge eruption in what is now India, a great lava flood that created a

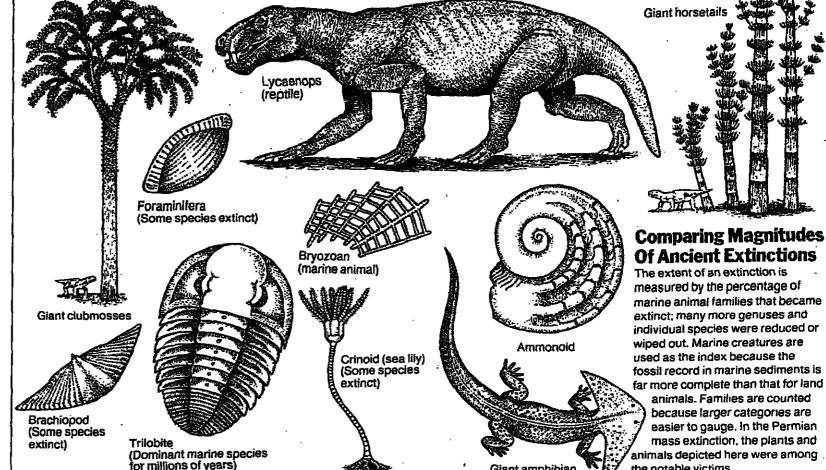
formation called the Deccan Traps. But at about the same time, many geologists believe. one or more asteroids or comets struck Earth.

Some scientists believe that such impacts alone caused the Cretaceous extinction. Others believe the impacts were simply the final blow to Cretaceous animals and plants already weakened by environmental stresses. Another group, including many paleontologists, believes the evidence that extraterrestrial impacts caused mass extinctions is too weak to accept as conclusive. Control of Parkey and the last of the Seagons

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culturally specific principles of has to do with time. In cultures that Israeli researcher, Jacob Hornik, gage handlers. It simply began He timed how long each of 640 parking its planes at the other end people stood in grocery store of the terminal, so that everyone checkout lines. Then he asked them walked seven minutes, and those

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mass extinction, the plants and

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Final Cretaceous

an additional minute to get them. The complaints stopped.

3. Lines have inherent social structure, with their own rules and

who checked bags only had to wait

codes of conduct. Several years ago, researchers at City University of New York barged into 129 queues around New York and recorded the impressions of those standing behind

What they found was that the person most likely to object to an intrusion was the one directly bewaiting times for elevators, they did not speed up the elevators, they be standing two or three or four They simply put mirrors next to the person butting in, their rates of com-A more modern example comes plaint were minimal. This, the researchers surmised, is

from the Houston airport, where a major airline recently got a spate of complaints from passengers arriv-ing on morning flights about how queue: The person closest to the intruder is the one responsible for objecting. Why is this? Because if long they had to wait to pick up their bags. The airline discovered anyone other than that person objects, he or she would have to leave the queue to do it, threatening the integrity of the line still further and raising the possibility of a general

It is the implicit understanding of queue participants, the researchers reasoned, that the line has to be protected against the appearance of disorder. Its resilience "depends not only on its capacity to defend against disturbances, but also its capacity to ignore, adjust to, and tolerate them," they wrote. The airline didn't hire more bag-

## You Are How You Wait: Queue Psychology

By Malcolm Gladwell Washington Post Service

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ASHINGTON -People spend billions

they are doing.

Fortunately, in the last decade sociologists, psychologists and economists have developed intricate — and often entertaining theories to show that queues -

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fairness and justice These systems, they say, have

1. You are how you wait. of hours a year waiting in lines, during which they fret, fidget, scowl and in general totally miss the larger anthropological significance of what rope and Latin America, the practice is virtually unknown.

Queuing is an acquired social trait that began - and was compulsively developed — in Britain during World Wars I and II and passed on seemingly the most banal of mod- to the United States, Canada and em phenomena — are actually some European countries.

complex social systems, embodying : Why did it develop? One theory

are not obsessed with punctuality or "wasted" time, chaotic lines for services are considered less of a problem. When Robert Levine, a psychologist at California State University at Fresno, studied the notoriously nonqueuing Brazilians, he found they had far fewer clocks and watches per capita than similarly developed societies - and those they had were less likely to be ассигате.

A more important factor in queuing is the extent to which a culture values equality. In some Arab countries, where women hold a subordinate position, it is common for firen to cut in front of vomen at ticket windows - a practice franght with danger in North

kinds of lines in banks and railroad appear to go faster. stations are what are known as multiserver queues, where each serving station has a separate waiting line. By contrast, in the last decade, U.S. banks, railroads, airlines and some fast-food restaurants have switched over to what is

known as the "snake" line, where

all stations are served by one sin-

The difference is not efficiency. It's fairness. In the multiserver system, a customer lucky enough to pick a fast line can get served ahead of someone who has been waiting

This seemingly self-evident prin-ciple was recently confirmed by an The airline didn't hire more ba

that the supposedly objectionable wait was about eight minutes precisely the industry average.
Why the complaints? Disembarking passengers, the airline dis-covered, had only a one-minute walk to get to either the exit or the

luggage carousel. Those with luggage then had to wait another seven 2. It is not how long you have to wait that makes you irritable, it is how long you think you had to wait.

The wait that makes you wait.

The wait another seven minutes to get their bags — which meant they had to watch as everyone who didn't check any baggage.

How Stress Erodes Health

By Daniel Goleman New York Times Service

EW YORK - People with many friends or family ties tend to live longer than loners. Heart attack victims who have emotional support survive longer than those who do not. The mind has many subtle influences on the body, and a spate of new studies are seeking to explore further the nature of this mysterious axis.

"Your closest relationships seem to matter most for your health," said Dr. Janice Kiecolt-Glaser, a psychologist at Ohio State University Medical School who has just completed a study showing that marital fights can weaken the immune systems of couple She and other researchers are trying to find out how

the body turns states of mind like close relationships into a biological advantage that im-proves health. The evidence to date points to physiological mechanisms in the immune and cardiovascular Heart attack

system.
"What is it that happens in a social network that makes such a difference for health?" asked Dr. victims with family or friends survive Sheldon Cohen, a psychologist at Carnegie Mellon University. To longer than loners. find the answers, Dr. Cohen joined forces with Dr. Jay Kaplan, a psy-

chiatrist at Bowman Gray School of Medicine in often they came down with colds and the flu and Winston-Salem, North Carolina, who studies stress in

macaque monkeys. . In their research, 40 male macaques were randomly assigned either to stable or shifting groups, the latter having three or four new monkeys added to their cage every month. For macaques, joining a new group of monkeys is highly agitating and stressful; the males threaten each other until a dominance hierarchy is

Yet even under the duress of the struggle for dominance, some monkeys remained friendly. These monkeys touched other monkeys more, groomed their cagemates or simply sat close to them," Dr. Cohen said. "In monkeys, those are all gestures of affiliation."

After 26 months of shifting groups and fights for dominance, the friendliest monkeys were found to have stronger immune responses while the most hostile and aggressive monkeys had the poorest. Dr. Cohen's results were reported in the journal

Psychological Science.

mune system," said Dr. Kiecolt-Glaser. She has been studying couples with her husband, Dr. Ronald Glaser, an immunologist and associate director for re-search at Ohio State University Medical School.

In their study, 90 couples were brought into a laboratory and asked to resolve an issue of disagreement. Continuous blood monitoring for 24 hours allowed their immune responses to be measured during and after the discussion.

"We found a far stronger effect on the couples" immune system than we ever expected," said Dr. Kiecolt-Glaser. Those couples who had most hostility and negativity during the discussions showed a drop on eight immune measures for the next 24 hours. The more hostile you are during a marital argument, the horse it is the harder it is on your immune system."

Since the couples in the laboratory tended to have rather mild disputes, Dr. Kiecolt-Glaser says, she expects the immune defects would be even more pronounced in real marriage spats. It is not, of course, the sheer number of relationships in a per-

son's life that seem to offer a buffer against stress so much as the quality of those connections. For example, a study of college students found that the more room-

mates disliked each other, the more visited a physician. "It's the most important relationships in your life,

the people you see day in and day out, that seem to be crucial for health," said Dr. John Cacioppo, a psychologist at Ohio State University who did the roommate study with Mary Snydersmith, a graduate student. But not all relationships are of equal significance.

"If you have a romantic partner, we found, how you're getting along with your partner matters far more for your health than does how you like your roommare."

Dr. Cacioppo said.
In a study of 194 elderly men and women who had suffered heart attacks, those who had two or more sources of emotional support were found to be twice as likely to survive longer than a year after the attack than those with no support, according to a report in The Annals of Internal Medicine.

The study, led by Dr. Lisa Berkman, an epidemiologist at Yale University Medical School, found that of the patients who said they had two or more people they could count on, only 27 percent died within the If friendly intimacy protects the immune system first year of the heart attack. But of the patients who from stress, consider what a fight does. "How couples reported no such close supports. 58 percent died handle their disagreements seems to affect their im- within the year

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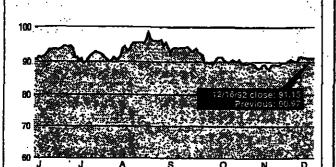
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# Keeping Women at Work

By Faye Fiore

OS ANGELES — For American professional women, the conflict between work and family dates at least from the emergence of feminism. But economic circumstances are finally beginning to imbue some women with the power to manage the conflict to their advantage. Perhaps for the first time since women broke into the corporate club, they are using their

leverage to demand jobs that accommodate them.

They are negotiating flexible work schedules, scaling back to 20-hour weeks and working from computers at home. Companies

relentless squeeze are increaswith their children.

stems from an age-old

With 45 percent of the Ameri-

to retain women workers who have become pillars in its ranks.

"You cannot cut out half the labor force and expect to be a successful corporation," said Charles Boesel, spokesman for the Women's Bureau at the U.S. Department of Labor. "If you want to retain the best and the brightest, you have to hire women and have

one end and more women are entering at the other. Women will make up two-thirds of the net gain in workers by 2005; three-fourths will become pregnant during their working lives, according to Department of Labor forecasts.

In a survey of 1,400 women conducted this year by the Ms. Foundation for Women and the Center for Policy Alternatives in New York, one-quarter said that their greatest personal struggle

Germany, France and Sweden have been helping parents balance career and family since the 1960s with flexible work hours. In the United States, though, only a sliver of the work force can opt for anything less than a rigid, full-time schedule.

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### IBM: Not Yet Bargain Basement

By Tom Petruno

Los Angeles Times Service LOS ANGELES — Bargain hunting for IBM's stock? Don't even think about it. Many Wall Street pros say the computer giant's share price could plunge to as low as \$40 before it starts to

International Business Machines Corp. stock plummeted \$6.75 to an 11-year-low of \$56.125 in wild trading on Tuesday after the company gave its gloomiest assessment yet of its near-term business prospects. Despite plans for 25,000 more job cuts and nearly \$6 billion in additional write-offs to trim its bloated corporate structure, there was no hint from management that any earnings turnaround was on the horizon. On Wednesday, it fell even further, to \$51.50.

Worse, IBM's sudden acknowledgment that it may be forced to cut its annual cash divi-dend — now \$4.84 a share — may have removed the only reason that many institutional and individual investors have held on for

"This is flabbergasting," said Edgar Wachenheim, principal at Greenhaven Associates, a moncy-management firm whose of-fices are near IBM's Armonk, New York, headquarters. Just three weeks ago, he said, senior officials at IBM had assured him that the dividend was safe.

investors have been hurt so many times in recent years by IBM — forever expecting the company to return to past glory,

Not a Good Investment 

only to be disappointed constantly — that Wall Street may now be losing all hope for an IBM turn-

And while the time to buy a stock often is when the majority of investors gives up on it, there are reasons to believe that the final capitulation of IBM stockholders is only now in process and will take months or longer to

Howard Gleicher, portfolio manager at the \$1.7 billion-asset Palley-Needelman Asset Management in Newport Beach, Califor-

never be what it once was - and that its stock could languish for years. After all, this century has seen a long line of powerful com-panies slowly fade away to the shock of their investors, who wrongly assumed that a business' size correlates with its ability to It's true, most analysts will admit, that IBM is doing many things right: Its software, mid-

that have some reason to go up in the near term," Mr. Gleicher said.

That doesn't describe IBM.

ginning to accept that IBM may

Indeed, many investors are be-

range computers and work stations are all excellent businesses. But they can't make up for the disintegrating mainframe com-puter business, IBM's bread and butter. Nor can niche successes hide the fact that IBM remains badly overstaffed, the legacy of a bygone era - when it called the shots in global technological

On a pure value-of-the-businesses basis, what is IBM stock worth? Wall Street pegs IBM's book value at 50 to 55 points a share. In theory, the stock shouldn't fall below that range.

But theory doesn't apply any-more to IBM, many analysts say. Only reality counts, and the reality is that investors have no idea what this company is capable of earning in 1993 or beyond. If you have no earnings "visibility," the market automatically assigns a minimum value to your stock.
One analyst, asking anonymity

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# **Ford Job Cuts** Reflect Grim **Europe Market**

cut almost 10,000 jobs in Europe next year, while Daimler-Benz AG, cles. He also said Volkswagen's net Volkswagen AG and the truck maker MAN AG issued gloomy statements on the outlook for the German vehicle industry.

"We are entering a crisis." said Dieter Ullsperger, Volkswagen's

head of finance.
In London, Ford said it would cut the number of hourly paid produc-tion workers to 68,000 from 75,200 in Europe before April 16 and re-duce production. The salaried staff would be cut to 15,000 from 17,550 during the whole of 1993. But, even as the traditional Euro-

ean giants were adjusting to turnbling profits and falling demand by trimming production, Japanese-owned transplants in Britain were planning to raise output next year. Ironically, within hours of Ford's announcement, Toyota Motor Corp. started its first car production in Europe at a new plant in

central England that cost £700 mil-lion (£1.1 billion). Toyota said it planned to produce about 36,000 cars next year at the plant in Burnaston, rising as

high as 100,000 in 1994. Europe's carmakers face a host of problems even before they confront competition from Japanese transplants, factories set up in Europe to get around European Community import quotas.

The big problem is an international slump in sales as consumers, worried about recession, put off buying new cars.

Germany's carmakers, saddled with some of the highest costs in the world, have had to contend with an unexpectedly sharp slowdown in the economy which has choked domestic demand.

"The German economy burst like a soap bubble," said Edzard Reuter, Daimler's chairman.

The devaluation of many European currencies against the Deut-sche mark has also made German exports more expensive.

Resters predicted a 20 percent shrinkage in LONDON — Ford Motor Co. the German car market next year and said his company's production would be curbed by 80,000 vehiprofit this year would be considera-bly below last year's 1.11 billion DM (\$706 million).

Daimler-Benz, Germany's largest company, also warned on Wednesday of falling 1992 profits as business weakened in its Mercedes-Benz automotive division. Mercedes-Benz has said it intends to cut its domestic workforce by-12,500 by the end of 1992 and fur-

ther cuts are planned in 1993. In Munich, the truck and engi-neering group MAN warned that this year's profit would be lower than in the previous two years.

The problems are not confined to Germany, although for Ford, 1992 losses at its Cologne-based Ford-Werke AG subsidiary exacerbated an already difficult situation. Most of the job losses will be in-Britain and Germany, including 3,000 job cuts in the first quarter of 1993 at Ford-Werke.

In Paris, the Peugeot Citroen-chairman, Jacques Calver, said carsales in 17 European countries were expected to fall more than 4 percent in 1993. "It is not a very easy

1993 in front of us," he said. But, if business looks gloomy now, it might get worse as Japanese makers, reputed to be more efficient, step up output.
Toyota already plans to expand

its new Burnaston plant to 200,000 cars a year from a current capacity of 100,000. Rover Group of Britain, in which

Honda has a 20 percent stake, said on Tuesday it planned to increase output at its Cowley plant near Oxford by 50 percent next year. Nissan also plans to increase British production to 270,000 in

1993 from 179,000 in 1992. Imports of Japanese cars are restricted under a pact with the European Commission allowing the Eu-

ropean market share of Japanese cars to increase to 16 percent by 1999 from about 11 percent now. From 2000, imports of Japanese Mr. Ullsperger of Volkswagen cars will be unlimited.

# With Flexible Schedules

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change for a little more time work ethic.

can work force made up of women, observers said corporate America was waking up to the idea that the rigid 9-to-5 day and 40-hour week are luxuries that it can no longer afford — not if it hopes

programs in place that keep them happy."

The U.S. labor force is growing older. More men are retiring at

was inflexible work hours.

Those who are cutting such deals tend to be college-educated

### Debt Still A Problem

By Carl Gewirtz

PARIS - For commercial banks, the debt crisis of developing countries that began 10 years ago is effectively over. But the World Bank warned Wednesday in its annual debt survey that it would be "premature to be complacent" and that the external viability of many debtor countries remained elusive.

The poorest countries, particularly those in sub-Saharan Africa.

will need additional forgiveness on their "unsustainable debt burdens" owed mostly to Western governments, the report said.

As for the former Soviet Union. whose debt situation is covered for the first time in this year's World Debt Tables, the bank warned that "payments difficulties are likely to persist in the near future" even though the country is "only moderately indebted".

Its total external debt at midyear was put at \$75.4 billion. But arrears are already high at \$9.4 billion and a large 52 percent of the debt is due between next year and 1995. A further complication is the substantial capital flight from re-publics with sizable potential for earning convertible currencies through exports.

The report noted that \$7 billion of debt relief on service payments this year helped to limit a further damaging reduction in imports, which fell 40 percent last year. But it warned: "The restoration

of the external viability and creditworthiness of these republics will require sustained economic reforms which need to be adequately financed to be successful." As for the relatively well-off

middle-income countries of Latin America, where debt indicators bave fallen back to levels prevailing before the outbreak of the crisis in 1982, the financing outlook "is still fragile and there is need for cau-

While the report highlighted the "remarkable turnaround in private capital inflows" to Latin America. it also warned that these flows were volatile and "may become a mixed

### After Crisis, Clinton Refuses to Tip Hand Accord at Conference on Goals but Not Means

nia, explains the thought process that has brought him, and many of

"We held it for a couple of years, thinking that the stock was cheap and that all the bad news

was out," he said. "But now, our

conviction on what the company

is doing has gotten down to zero." Some Wall Streeters may argue

that IBM stock now is ridiculous-

ly cheap, he added, but that is not

enough anymore to justify own-

Our style is one of buying

his peers, full circle on IBM:

By Thomas L. Friedman New York Times Service

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas - President-elect Bill Clinton's economic conference ended with a consensus on the need to spur growth in the short term and reduce the deficit over the long haul, but with a welter of contradictory advice on how to achieve these goals.

Mr. Clinton took in all the comments from the economists, business executives and labor leaders gathered in Little Rock. But he refrained from tipping his hand over what approaches he intended to take at first.

Participants proposed solutions ranging from spending a few million dollars to spending \$60 billion on roads, bridges and education training to help create jobs and jolt the economy. And they suggested various timetables for slashing the deficit; some would start at once, others would phase in cuts, starting several years

But with all the give and take during the two-day conference that ended Tuesday, Mr. Clinton did not address the most difficult economic issue and perhaps the hardest political question he will face as president: Which government programs should be cut and which taxes should be raised to lower the budget deficit?

At a news conference following the 19 hours of discussions over two days, Mr. Clinton acknowledged that "no two participants agreed on the details." But he said there were several broad areas of agreement that he would take into account in the next few

weeks as he makes the "tough choices" in shaping his first budget. For instance, Mr. Clinton said there was an "absolute consensus" on the need to increase investment, not only in roads and bridges, but also in education and training, to improve the long-term productivity of the work force.

He said there was also a general accord that his and other capital so that small businesses and entre- presentation to the pext questioner without comment.

By Diana B. Henriques of the Trump Plaza Hotel & Casino, the healthiest of Mr. Trump's

NEW YORK - Is Donald three gambling halls in Atlantic

Trump back, as big and as bank-able as ever? Merrill Lynch refused to com-

The irrepressible New York dement, but the plan reportedly calls veloper says yes, absolutely, without for the sale of as much as \$335

a doubt. He has been saying so since million in new bonds, at today's low May, when he called reporters to interest rates, and the use of that

crow about a rebound in the prices money to retire \$300 million in more

of his junk bonds. But now there are expensive debt, with funds left over

preneurs, who create the most jobs, can flourish. This could be done to some extent through deregulation. And, finally, be said, there was a consensus that there was a "huge undercapacity" in the economy, so that the threat of inflation from some increased government spending was minimal. Therefore, he added, the Federal Reserve should not raise interest rates as

soon as growth picks up.

About the only policy issue on which Mr. Clinton committed himself was his intent to make controlling health-care costs his top priority.

Among the experts, there was even a disagreement over metaphors and similes. Isabel Sawhill, senior fellow of the Urban Institute, said slow productivity growth was the "cancer" killing the economy, while Henry Aaron, director of economic studies at the Brookings Institution, said the soaring deficit was the

slow, wasting disease" sapping the economy's strength.

James Tobin, a Nobel Prize-winning economist who
erved on President John F. Kennedy's Council of Economic Advisers, told Mr. Clinton he should opt for tax cuts or spending programs totaling \$50 billion to \$60 billion for each of the next two years.

But Allen Sinai, chief economist for Boston Co., an investment firm, said only \$20 billion to \$30 billion in public works spending and tax cuts were needed to jump-start the economy. And Mr. Aaron said that if the economy keeps mending on its own, the stimulus "should be extremely small or possibly shelved."

Mr. Aaron was not shy about where he thought money could be saved: "Agricultural subsidies need to be reduced. Some veterans' pensions should be cut.
We need to charge for airways and waterways, and for
the use of the radio spectrum. We are spending money on a NASA space station and an advanced rocket that

oductivity of the work force.

I think are not of the highest priority."

It was precisely such specifics, though, that Mr. ministration most "increase access" to bank loans

Clinton avoided. He went right from Mr. Aaron's

"I think the Plaza is eminently

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the casino would be first in line for

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eral for loans. But some lawyers

who have been negotiating with Mr. Trump since his personal debt

crisis began in 1990 speculate that

the bankers might let him keep

some of the money just to reduce

their exposure to him.

The bankers who helped finance

bond trader at Lehman Brothers.

### France Says EC Panel Overstepped on Trade

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches GENEVA - France has apparently rejected the European Community's proposed offer in the Uruguay Round of world trade talks. with Foreign Minister Roland Dumas of France saying Wednesday

the package was "null and void."

Mr. Dumas said that provisions on agriculture in the package went beyond the EC Commission's mandate.

The EC farm offers, to be followed on Thursday by schedules on industrial products, incorporated a U.S.-EC accord on agricultural subsidies that averted a trans-Atlantic trade war and cleared a

barrier to completion of the six-year-old world trade talks. But Mr. Dumas expressed France's "great surprise" at the filing of the document, and referred to the EC commissioners who had filed it France has bitterly criticized the U.S.-EC farm accord, arguing that

it will unfairly penalize European farmers. "The Washington draft accord is totally insufficient in the eyes of France," Mr. Dumas said. France therefore considers that the document addressed today to the GATT authorities as null and void and deviod of juridical commit-Mr. Dumas fiercely criticized the Community's external affairs commissioner. Frans Andriessen, and agriculture commissioner. Ray MacSharry. Without mentioning the commissioners by name.

he said they had violated their mandate in the Washington negotia-"We told the GATT authorities that today." Mr. Dumas said.
He said the commissioners "believed themselves authorized to send today a document which is called a schedule of commisments to

advance the agricultural negotiations. This is a second serious breach of the mandate which had been given. I therefore consider the two commissioners in question have been disloyal to their mandates." France has threatened to veto any agreement incorporating the farm deal. Whether it will do so at the risk of threatening the foundations of

the Community remains an open question. In Washington, the deputy U.S. trade representative, Julius Katz. said Friday there would not be agreement concluding the Uruguay Round before the end of the year. (Reuters, AFP, AP) Round before the end of the year.

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signs that at least some people on Wall Street agree with him.

about the deal say that Merrill

Lynch & Co. has been put to work

on a proposal to refinance the debt

Finance executives approached

Pierson, Heldring & Pierson N.V. Rokin 55, 1012 KK Amsterdam. Tel. + 31-20-5211410.

"It would in fact be highly inappropriate to talk about any refinancing plans, since we are talking about publicly traded debt." But a number of analysts and traders think a deal is not only financially possible but highly mar-ketable. If they are right, Mr. Trump could pull as much as \$25 million in cash out of the Plaza casino after paying his investment bankers. Weekley net asset Leveraged Capital Holdlings N.V. on 11-12-1992 U.S. \$529-11 Listed on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange

Donald's Deal: Trump Card or Joker?

presumably for Mr. Trump. Would bond buyers invest again

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### Wall Street Bruised By Program Selling

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - A late barrage of computer-driven selling pushed Wall Street stocks to a sharp loss on Wednesday.

MARKET DIARY

Massive sell orders were trig-gered when March futures on the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell below last week's low of 432.80,

#### N.Y. Stocks

considered by technical analysts to have been a near-term bottom. traders said. The initial weakness bame on concerns about corporate

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 29.18 points, to 3,255.18, and the S&P 500 ended at 431.52, down 1.05. Volume rose to about 233 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange, down from 225.88 traded on Tuesday.

IBM tumbled for a second day. outweighing gains in other blue

"Everybody's looking at the IBM scenario and the fact the economy may not have turned around—that earnings may not be as positive as people had hoped." said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equities at Charles Schwab in San Francisco, "We've had such a run-up since October with no real correction, and people are looking to take more profits."

Computer shares, led by IBM, fell the most among S&P 500 industry

groups. IBM, grappling with a major restructuring, tumbled 4% to 514 on the computer giant's plan to take a \$6 billion charge in the fourth quarter to eliminate 25,000 jobs next

Countering the pessimism. Intel Corp.'s stock vaulted 61a to 8312, setting a 52-week high of 834 in the maker predicted that it would have fourth-quarter earnings "well above" what analysts expected be-

Global Marine, unchanged at 214. Goodyear Tire & Rubber slumped 3% to 66% after Merrill Lynch lowered its rating to "neu-

Immunex leaped 1 to 4614 after an agreement to sall control of the biotechnology company to the chemical giant American Cyanamid Co. in return for \$350 million cash and Cyanamid's cancer drug business. The transaction, whose total value is estimated at about \$600 million, would give American Cyanamid 53.5 percent of Immunex. (Bloomberg, UP1)

# year and possibly cut its dividend.

process, after the semiconductor cause of surging orders for its 486 microprocessors, used to power personal computers.

Tucson Electric was the most ac-tive issue on the New York Stock Exchange, gaining % to 2 on more than 26.5 million shares traded in the aftermath of a financial restructuring completed on Tuesday. IBM was second, followed by

tral" on concerns about unfavor-able currency translations.

### French Banks Lift Rate **But Franc Still Pressed** - Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

LONDON — Major French banks boosted their prime rates Wednesday afternoon as the French franc remained under pressure on the foreign exchange market.

The French franc, whose slide on

#### Tuesday prompted intervention by the Bundesbank, regained some Foreign Exchange

ground Wednesday. The mark edged down to 3.4160 francs from 3.4164 on Tuesday, but traders said the market is still expecting a realignment in the European Mone-

tary System in the near future. For the meantime, however, French interest rates are being kept high to support the currency, and banks reacted Wednesday. "This means they have decided to pass the cost of borrowing on to the economy despite the government's pressure not to," said one dealer.

Societé Générale was the first to act, raising its prime rate to 10

considerations following an announcement earlier this week that Socialist leader Bettino Craxi was under investigation in a corruption

The mark rose above 900 lire on Wednesday, stirring memories of the dramatic days following the Italian currency's exit from the ex-change-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System in September. At the time, the mark hurded briefly toward 1,000 lire. But toward the close of trading in Europe on Wednesday, the mark was quoted at 898 line.

The dollar weakened, closing at 1.5571 DM in thin New York trading.down from Tuesday's close of 1.5675. Dealers cited year-end torpor as well as a disappointing rise in U.S. housing starts.

The U.S. currency also slipped to 122.98 yen from 123.95 on Tuesday. The pound ended at \$1.5750, up from \$1,5670 on Tuesday. The dollar closed at 1,3980 Swiss francs,

down from 5.3575.

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### Moody's Cuts French Bank Ratings

PARIS — Moody's Investor's Service said Wednesday it had lowered ratings on long-term debt of Banque Nationale de Paris and Credit

About \$14.5 billion worth of BNP's long-term debt is concerned, Moody's said. The rating on BNP's section unsubordinated debt was cut to Aa2 from Aa1

Later, Moody's announced that it had lowered ratings on debt of Credit

Ratings on Credit Lyonnais's long-term certificates of deposit, and long term letters of credit were lowered from Aa3 from Aa2, while the rating on senior subordinated debt was lowered to A1 from Aa3.

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Output, Housing Starts Show Gains

NEW YORK (IHT) — A continuation of the unspectacular but steady economic growth of the fall was reflected in figures for November released Wednesday that showed an 0.4 percent increase in industrial production and a 1.5 account increase in control of the baseline. production and a 1.5 percent increase in starts of new housing. The force behind new housing continued almost entirely in single-family construction, which has risen for three successive months, while

construction of apartments declined for two months and moved up only slightly last month. The increase in industrial production was modest but broad-based

Manufacturing output rose 0.4 percent, indicating that retailers are re-ordering after their fall sales pickup. Production of business equipment, especially information-processing machines, made better-than-average gains, indicating that business is gearing up but trying to keep its white-collar overheads low. Mining, after slumping this summer and fall, rose 0.6 percent on new drilling for oil and gas.

#### Brazil's Economy Minister Resigns

RIO DE JANEIRO (Bloomberg) — Economy Minister Gustavo Krause resigned Wednesday in an apparent policy dispute with acting President Itamar Franco. Mr. Krause's duties will be temporarily assumed by the planning minister, Paulo Haddad, government officials

Mr. Haddad held a news conference in Brasilia to deny that Mr. Krause's sudden resignation had anything to do with future economic plans of the Franco administration. He said the government planned no surprises, such as shock measures to bring Brazil out of its deep recession.

He will preside over both the planning and economy ministries until a
new economy minister can be found, a presidential spokeswoman said. The announcement comes one day after Mr. Franco, who took office Oct. 2 from the impeached president, Fernando Collor de Mello, announced a series of changes in Brazil's privatization program and postponed all sales of government companies.

#### **Intel Optimistic About Results**

SANTA CLARA, California (UPI) - The chip maker Intel Corp.,

san 1A CLARA, Cantornia (UP1)— The chip maker Intel Corp., citing high demand for its 486 microprocessors, said Wednesday that fourth-quarter profit would be well above analysts' estimates.

"This is one of those times when everything is going right." said Andrew Grove, intel's president and chief executive officer.

Intel said it expected fourth-quarter revenue of about \$1.8 billion — a rise of at least 25 percent from the \$1.43 billion posted in the third quarter. Analysts had only expected an improvement of about 12 percent. In the fourth quarter last year, Intel had recents of \$1.21 billion.

The better-than-expected news sent Intel stock soaring, with shares soaring \$6.125 apiece, to reach \$83.50, in over-the-counter trading on

### U.S. Trade Mission to Beijing

BEIJING (NYT) — The U.S. secretary of commerce, Barbara H. Franklin, arrived in Beijing Wednesday with an entourage of businessmen and a mandate to sell American products in a visit effectively ending a three-year ban on high-level exchanges between Washington and

Beijing.

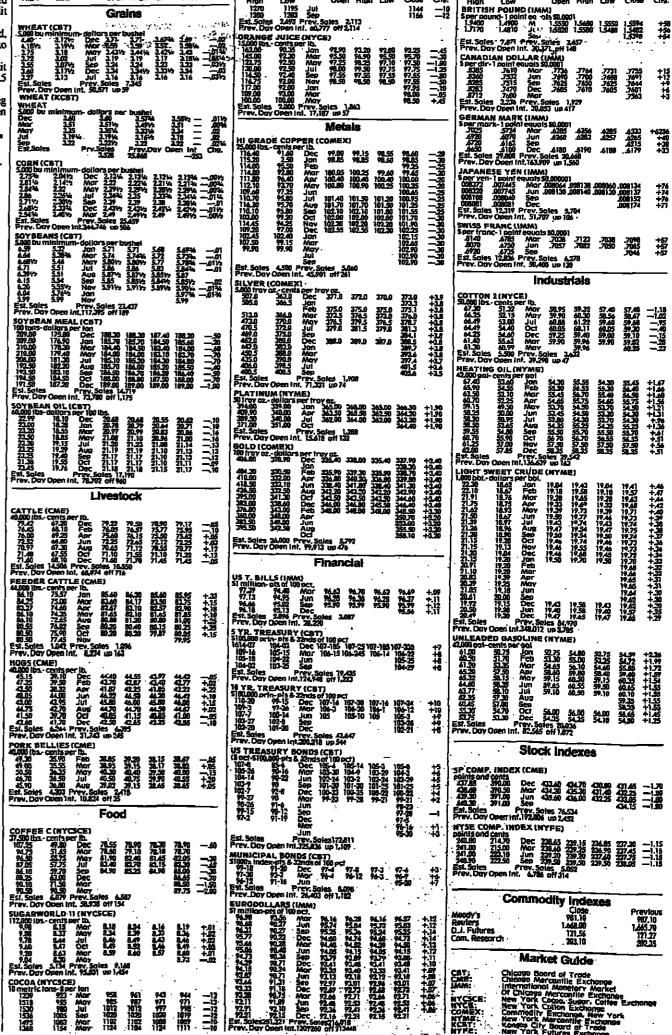
The three-day visit is billed as a trade promotion mission and if one read only the Chinese newspaper headlines in recent days, one would hardly think there were any tensions at all between Beijing and Washington. The Chinese are saying that the trip is a sign that ties between China and the United States are being normalized: Trade links are soon to be restored, American investment in China has topped \$6 billion, and the first of 7,000 American cars, worth \$130 million, just arrived at the Chinese docks over the weekend.

But there have also severe strains in the relationship that Ms. Franklin's trip appears aimed at easing. In particularly her trip apparently is intended to placate the Chinese after the administration signed an agreement to sell 150 F-16 jet fighters to Taiwan and after President George Bush sent his trade representative, Carla A. Hills, to Taipei two

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### Russia Tries to Borrow Time

### Moscow Seeking Easy Debt Rescheduling

By Louis Uchitelle New York Times Service

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NEW YORK - Russia's new economics czar, Viktor S. Chemomyrdin, takes office just as President Boris N. Yeltsin's government is preparing to ask the industrial nations to postpone collection of \$18 billion that should have been repaid this year

Talks on rescheduling the debt are to reopen Thursday in Paris.

U.S. officials and bankers said Mr. Chernomyrdin's appointment as prime minister, replacing Yegor T. Gaidar, is not likely to change the outcome of the negotiations. "We will continue to support debt rescheduling," one official said.

The Russians have managed to repay only \$2 billion or less this year, and nearly half of that covered loans to purchase grain that had been aranteed by the U.S. Agriculture Department. But two weeks ago Moscow suspended even these repayments; as a result, shipments of American grain to Russia are coming to a halt.

"We have been beating on the doors and saying they ought to pay up," said Christopher E. Gold-thwait, chief of the Agriculture Department's overseas export programs.

Because of the default, the department suspended loan guarantees for grain purchases on Nov. 30, and a delegation traveled to Moscow last week to try to collect \$31.8 million in payments that Russia has failed to make in the last two weeks.

"The best we could make out was that they were so preoccupied with the Congress of People's Deputies, they have not been able to make the necessary moves to get the debt repaid," Mr. Goldthwait said. Almost certainly, Mr. Chernomyrdin will be plunged this week into the debt negotiations, both with the representatives of the major industrial nations, known as the Paris Club, and with representatives of commercial banks, the London Club.

The latter group met with Russian officials in Europe last week, and another meeting is to take place this week. American bankers said.

Every three months this year, the United States and other nations have agreed to postpone Russia's repayments for another 90 days.

Russia's foreign debt totals about \$86 billion, according to U.S. government officials, the International Monetary Fund and the Institute (or International Finance, a Washington group that tracks foreign debt for commercial banks.

Of the total, \$68 billion represents money owed by the Soviet Union when it went out of existence on Jan. 1 - \$50 billion to other governments and \$18 billion to commercial banks.

The Paris Club, which includes the United States, is considering a five-year grace period during which Moscow would pay only some of the interest on the Russian share of the Soviet debt.

But the London Club is pushing for only a twoyear moratorium on their portion, according to Keith Savard, the Russian debt specialist at the Institute for International Finance. Moscow has asked for a 10-year moratorium and has offered to pay only \$3 billion in interest next year, not the \$5 billion sought by the Paris Club.

#### ■ Accord Set on Bulgarian Debt

The French Finance Ministry said Wednesday that the Paris Club of Western creditor nations agreed to reschedule Bulgaria's foreign debt over ten years with a six-year grace period, Bloomberg Business News reported from Paris.

No details on the amount of debt rescheduled

### **BA Gets Go-Ahead on French Carrier**

The British carrier signed the accord with TAT on Commission authorized it, on condition that a series of concessions be made.

Meanwhile, Bernard Attali, the president of Air

Senarately, the French cabinet on Wednesday completed the merger of the state-owned Air France with

UTA was acquired in 1990 by Air France. In November, Air France announced plans to fully merge

### France Asks Thomas Cook Links EC to Delay To Charter Concern Liberalizing Of Phones

PARIS - France is pushing for a delay in the liberalization of the EC telecommunications market because it says other countries have

not reciprocated. Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the industry and trade minister, said Wednesday that he and Elisabeth Guigou, the European affairs minister, had sent a letter to the European

Community asking for a delay. Europe is scheduled to become a free-trade zone on Jan. 1, allowing goods to circulate unfettered within the Community. Each country has been directed to liberalize its telecommunications rules, which had

often favored national suppliers.

Mr. Strauss-Kahn said France would ask a meeting of EC ministers Thursday to suspend the EC directive liberalizing telecommuni-cations markets before an agreement on the subject in the GATT world trade talks. Talks in the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade reopened in Geneva on Wednesday. Mr. Strauss-Kahn said the move did not target any particular country, as the EC does not have external reciprocity agreements, but the United States and Japan were En-

rope's main competitors.

France has also asked that the opening of public markets in the Community be delayed until there are reciprocal agreements from other countries, such as Japan and the United States. "We won't open our public markets unilaterally, Mr. Štranss Kahn said.

He said opening of markets could not occur "without commitments by our principal competitors, notably Japan and the U.S.A.

France has particularly stringent rules on approving telephones, answering machines and fax machines sold on its territory. Usually approved gadgets are made by French and other European companies. French telecommunications equipment makers have complained that Japanese goods in particular are

(Reuters, AP)

LONDON - Six months after Midland Bank of Britain sold its Thomas Cook travel agency to a group including LTU of Germany. Thomas Cook crossed the English Channel again Wednes-day to swallow 10.3 percent of

Owners Abroad Group PLC. The move is the first step by the three companies to build a cohesive travel network throughout Europe as European trade barriers come down.

Under the cooperation agree-ment, Owners and the Düsseldorfbased LTU will link their charter airlines. Thomas Cook will sell package vacations from both LTU and Owners through its 1,600 retail branches around the world, including 340 in Britain.

In return for Thomas Cook's buying 22.5 million new Owners Abroad shares at £1 (\$1.57) each, Owners will buy £20 million of 9.33 percent, 10-year loan notes issued by Thomas Cook, Each will gain oard representation at the other.

The deal gives Owners Abroad, a package vacation and charter airline company, a "European dimen-sion that no other U.K. travel company possesses." its chairman, Howard Klein, said at a news conference. Owners Abroad, previously focused on Britain, "is pan-Eu-rope as from today," he said.

Analysis said the deal was smart. Nigel Hicks of Panmure Gordon & Co. said the agreement gave Own-ers "the vertical integration to a gines, fuel, insurance and catering.

Citroën Unveils Xantia

recapture the sales initiative from rival Renault.

PARIS — Automobiles Citroen SA, a subsidiary of Peugeot SA, pulled the wraps off its new Xantia model on Thursday, hoping that it would touch up dents in Citroen's reputation for quality and

The model will compete in the upper end of the medium-range

Peugeot and Citroën saw their share of the French market fall to

30 percent over the first 11 months of 1992 from 33 percent in the

retail operation without having to shell out any money."

Owners Abroad reported Wednesday a 19.3 percent drop in pretax profit for the year ended Oct. 31, to £25.5 million, from £31.6 million a year earlier. Sales jumped 20 percent, to £772 million from £643.6 million, but earnings suffered from discounting and overcapacity.

Thomas Cook will open 100 more branches in Britain in the next two years, its chief executive. Christopher Rodrigues, said. The new agreement builds a bridge between the German and British travel industries, the two largest travel markets in Europe, he said.

Owners needed a British retail outlet after its main rival, Airtours PLC. bought 333 Pickfords Travel Service Ltd. shops in September for £16 million from NFC PLC.

Thomas Cook is 90 percentowned by LTU and 10 percent-owned by Westdeutsche Landesbank. LTU is 34 percent-owned by Westdentsche, Germany's thirdlargest bank.

Owners Abroad forecast that the link with LTU would increase operating profit in the year ending Oct. 31, 1994, by £7 million, rising to £8 million the next year. Thomas Cook and LTU forecast similar increases. Most of the increase will come from savings, for instance in running LTU's 29 jets and Owners Abroad's 19 planes as a combined fleet and

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#### Very briefly:

MAN AG said sales in the five months to November fell 2 percent, to 6.525 billion Deutsche marks (\$4.15 billion), from 6.672 billion DM in the vear-earlier period; it forecast earnings for the financial year ending June 30, 1993, would be less than in the previous year.

 Creditanstalt-Bankverein, Austria's No. 2 bank, said it would slash its 1992 dividend to 6 percent from last year's 15 percent to provide for

 Austrian Airlines chairman, Anton Heschgl, said the airline expected a loss of 224.4 million schillings (\$20.3 million) in 1992, its first loss in 21 years, mainly due to fare cuts of about 7 percent to meet competition.

SNECMA of France said its share of \$1 billion in aircraft engine orders placed by International Lease Finance Corp. would be about one-third.

 The European Court of Justice condemned as discriminatory Belgium's ban on cable access for foreign Dutch-language broadcasters, in a ruling that could open the market in Flanders to the Luxembourg-based RTL4. Standard Chartered PLC said it had sold 13 Hong Kong buildings to the

Koon Wah real estate investment group for £64 million (\$100 million) before costs, and would lease the buildings from the buyer.

Accor SA and Chargeurs said their joint subsidiary Les Croisières Paquet would take a 24 percent stake in Costa Crocière of Italy and would underwrite a 80 billion lire (\$56.9 million) Costa capital increase.

one-Poulenc SA shareholders voted to allow the company to proceed with a capital increase after the sale of part of the government's stake. The capital increase will be reserved exclusively for the French state to compensate it for the loss of preferred dividend rights. AFX, AP, Bloomberg

### Sept. 24. Two months later, on Nov. 27, the EC company, the government said.

PARIS - France has given British Airways PLC the green light for a 49.9 percent participation in the regional French carrier TAT European Airways, the British concern said Wednesday.

to seek a re-examination of BA's buyout of the British carrier Dan-Air. After the Belgian request, the EC Commission decided Monday to examine the case,

which was authorized on Oct. 30 without study be-cause Dan Air's revenue fell below the 250 million

Ecus (\$310 million) required an automatic review. Union des Transports Aériens, a subsidiary of the

the two. The group is now called Compagnie Nation France, expressed satisfaction over Belgium's decision ale Air France. The state-owned concern will have the to seek a re-examination of BA's buyout of the British status of a corporation with some employee participa-

#### eating into the consumer side of the French market. (Reuters, AP) IBM: Burden of Innovation Passes to New Generation

(Continued from page 1)

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tech, the industry-government research consortium created five This year, for example, the Unit- years ago to revitalize American chip makers. The consortium, based in Austin, Texas, developed

Sematech's success could point the way for further alliances in arwhelming international competi- eas where multinational corporation, American personal computer tions like IBM and Digital Equipand disk-drive companies have ment Corp. in the past would have

carried the financial burden. This new alliance-based model

### STOCK: IBM Not Yet a Bargain

(Continued from first finance page) because his company has a busi-ness relationship with IBM, offered this sober assessment Tuesday: "I figure if they earn maybe \$3 a share next year, and they slash the divi-dend in half, you're looking at the stock going to the mid-\$40s." Of course, if by some chance

IBM's remaining institutional and individual investors already assume that the earnings and dividend payoff will be minuscule in 1993, one could argue that those holders will figure there's no compelling reason to bail out of the stock now, at an I l-year low.
But don't underestimate the num-

ber of longtime 1BM stockholders — especially slow-moving bank trust departments — that are only now coming to grips with the extent of IBM's troubles, analysts warn. The easiest way to start those investors stampeding out of your stock is to hint at a dividend cut, which IBM did Tuesday. Although 12.2 million of IBM's 572 million shares were dumped Tuesday, there's plenty more where those came from.

What about the "ultimate solution" some experts bandy about — that IBM should be broken up into pieces, and that the value of the parts will be worth much more than the whole? There's every likelihood that shell-shocked institutional holders — especially public pen-sion funds — will mount a feverish campaign in the months ahead to replace IBM management and find some magic solution for the com-pany's problems. CalPERS, California's public employee pension fund, is already known to be hot on

IBM's case. But a breakup remains a long way off, if it ever happens. Meanwhile, one analyst says, investors who ponder IBM will keep coming back to the same sad facts: "It's too big, it's too ugly, and too many things can go wrong."

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#### simultaneously sustain the burden of new technology development, the computer maker has built hundreds of alliances in recent years, ranging from one with Apple Com-puter Inc. to develop software to

one with Supercomputing Systems Inc. to make supercomputers. While some of these alliances have been successful, they have not been enough to turn the much shifting market forces that have en-

gulfed IBM. But despite optimism about future research and development alliances, a deeper, more troubling is-sue remains: Has IBM's technology spending translated into a U.S. advantage that will now be lost? The answer from many analysis and computer industry executives is "no."

They now argue that the company's vast laboratories have frequently done as much to bottle up needed technologies as to push the industry forward.

David Drizel, director of advanced systems at Sun Microsystems, now a giant but a few years ago a tiny company that through quick moves came to dominate the engineering work station market that IBM was slow to enter, said:

"We need to invest differently. and what IBM didn't do is figure out how to invest in things that paid off."

#### market, which last year accounted for 21 percent of European car sales. With the Xantia, Citroën has discarded some of its traditions, although its tapered front and angled headlights recall earlier models. The car is meant to appeal to buyers seeking durability.

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1. Presentation of the Report of the Board of Directors.

2. Presentation of the Report of the Auditor.

3. Approval of the balance sheet and income statement for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1992. 4. Discharge of the Board of Directors and the Auditor. 5. Election of six (6) Directors, specifically the re-election of Messrs. Edward C. Johnson 3d. Barry R. J. Bateman, Charles T. M. Collis, Charles A. Fraser, Jean Hamilius and H.F. van

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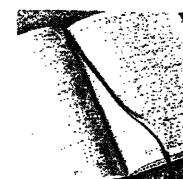
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professionals with career experi-ence too valuable to lose; employ-ers accommodate them because work-place flexibility lea

Dr. Jamie Baker Knauss, a 39year-old Pasadena, California, pe-diatrician and mother of two boys, delayed starting her practice for two years until she found a group of doctors flexible enough to share her patient load so she could work their desks eight hours a day; those three days a week. Ellen McDon-who are not must not be working. nell, a 37-year-old mother of two

Assistant U.S. Attorney Leslie Swain, the 39-year-old mother of two girls, was one of the first federal prosecutors in Los Angeles to A. Foster work a three-day week — a sched-company.

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

Despite studies showing that work-place flexibility leads to re-ductions in turnover; absenteeism, and tardiness and to improved loy-alty and morale, most corporations have resisted making it a policy.

Specialists said the resistance stemmed in part from an age-old work ethic: Good employees are at

nell, a 37-year-old mother of two girls and senior producer of National Public Radio's "Morning Edition," works one day a week out of her Maryland home.

Assistant U.S. Autorney Leslie sector and people go through the roof," said Glenn Meister, a con-sultant in the Los Angeles office of A. Foster Higgins & Co., a benefits

But several employers who offer flexible schedules said that most conflicts can be resolved if both the employer and worker are willing to over; every worker saved was money in the company's pocket.

Aetna instituted a family-leave policy and "flextime," which re-

Alan Murray, the deputy chief of the Wall Street Journal's bureau in Washington — where several re-porters have shared beats and have worked part-time — said flexible scheduling has allowed the newspa-per to-hold onto experienced wom-en journalists.

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Aetna instituted a family-leave policy and "flextime," which re-quired workers to be in the office between 9 A.M. and 3 P.M. and left to them when they put in the other 90 minutes. Within four years, only 9 percent of mothers were failing to

scheduling has allowed the newspaper to hold onto experienced women journalists.

"It has been a big payoff for us," Mr. Murray said.

A 1987 task force at Aetna Life & Casualty in Hartford, Connecticut, found that one-fourth of mothers who took a maternity leave never came back. By its own estimates, Aetna was losing more than \$1 million annually in employee turn-

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### Battle for Astra Pits Chairman Against **Indonesian Tycoon**

JAKARTA — The struggle for control of Astra International,

Indonesia's second-biggest private company, has degenerated into a bitter squabble in which the chairman of Astra is opposing attempts to sell it to a timber tycoon.

This is doing no good for investor confidence in Indonesia." Peter Arkeli, head of research at Niaga Securities, said Wednesday, "although the country's economic fundamentals are still good."
Astra's chairman, Sumitro Djojohadikusumo, said he was against selling Astra to a consortium led by Prajogo Pangestu, who has

extensive interests in timber. Mr. Sumitro said he believed Toyota Motor Corp., a business ally of Astra's, would be against handing its control over to Mr. Prajogo's consortium, which includes the owner of a company that is Astra's main rival. Toyota owns 51 percent of PT Toyota Astra Motors,

which provides the bulk of Astra International's income.
"I know from reliable sources that the leadership of Toyota Motor Corp. will be concerned if 108 million shares that belong to the Socryadjaya family is sold to the consortium," Mr. Sumitro said. The target of the struggle is an auto-assembly company with a variety of interests, including agriculture-related business, and a reputation as one of Indonesia's best-run conglomerates.

Astra's shares plunged on the stock market after the Soeryadjaya family failed Monday to save their Summa Bank by selling Astra stock. Astra's price fell 150 rupiah (about 7 cents) to 8,850 (\$4.30) on Wednesday. It had lost 250 rupiah on Tuesday.

Mr. Sumitro said he and the Soeryadjaya family had an agreement that the family's shares in Astra could be sold only with his approval. "The board of directors of Astra had agreed that Toyota Motor Corp. would be a strategic factor in any sale of Astra's shares," he said.
But brokers said the only other serious bidder for Astra was Mr.
Sumitro's own son, Hashim Djojohadikusumo. "There is a clear
conflict of interest on both sides," Mr. Arkell said.

Mr. Prajogo may resolve the issue by excluding Liem Sioe Liong from the consortium, Mr. Arkell said. Mr. Liem's PT Indomobil

Utama competes with Astra. Market analysts said Mr. Hashim has not been able to raise enough funds to make the purchase because bidders have been

The Indonesian Observer daily reported on Wednesday that the Soeryadjaya family's head, William, had expressed shock at the government's decision to liquidate his bank. "I didn't expect the decision so soon, especially as I am still searching for a settlement which will suit many," Mr. Soeryadjaya was quoted as saying, "Now everything is left to the central bank."

But the central bank governor, Adrianus Mooy, said he bad not come up with the 750 billion rupiah to settle Summa's debts. Its total

liabilities were 1.6 trillion rupiah, Mr. Mooy said.

Summa, which was suspended from clearing last month for failing to meet its obligations, belongs to the Summa Group, which in turn is owned by the Soeryadjaya family.

### Exxon to Tap Huge Gas Field

Bloomberg Business News

JAKARTA — Exxon Corp. has reached an agreement with the Indonesian state oil company, Pertamina, on the financial terms of a \$30 billion project to exploit the massive Natura natural-gas field, Exxon said Wednesday.

In attural-gas business said that, given the large risks associated with the project, the profit potential for Exxon is enormous.

Exxon and Pertamina are expected to sign an agreement on the financial terms in the first quarter of 1002

said Wednesday.

The Natuna field contains proven gas reserves nearly half the size of those in all of Canada and could produce enough gas to meet 40 percent of Japan's

ment on the imancia terms in the irrs.

Shortly afterward. Indonesia is expected through on a previously announced position of Pertamina's share in the project.

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The pact, which follows more than two years of negotiation, clears the way for Exxon and Pertamina to conduct serious talks with potential buyers of the liquefied natural gas in Japan, South Korea and Taiwan. Binding contracts with the buyers are crucial to financing the project, believed to be among the largest resource developments in Southeast Asia.

Situated in Indonesian waters, 450 miles (720 kilometers) northeast of Singapore, the Natuma field contains an estimated 210 trillion cubic feet (6.3 trillion cubic meters) of natural gas, of which 72 percent is carbon dioxide. The remaining 45 trillion cubic feet would be recovered and named into liquefied natural gas.

Just how much money Exxon and Pertamina stand

to gain from the field was not immediately clear. The price of natural gas is linked to the price of oil, so exact

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Shortly afterward. Indonesia is expected to follow through on a previously announced pledge to sell some

"Speculation is that Mobil Oil and some Japanese investors are most likely to take up the Pertamina share of Natuna," said James Ball, a London-based executive with EconoMatters Ltd., the publisher of Gas Matters, a newsletter. "This will leave Exxon as the lead partner."

Exxon, which acquired a 50 percent right to develop the Natuna field in 1980. is believed by industry analysts to have sought a 50-50 profit split to compensate for the high cost and risks associated with disposing of large volumes of carbon dioxide in the Natuna gas. Up to 40 percent of the project's \$30 billion price is associated with the carbon dioxide. The standard division of profits between Indonesia and foreign oil

companies is 70-30 for natural-gas projects. The project will take eight years to complete. Indonesia, rapidly running out of oil, is in a hurry to price of natural gas is linked to the price of oil, so exact profit projections are impossible.

But an industry observer close to the Indonesian begin the project because a large number of gas contracts with Japanese buyers are scheduled to expire by the end of the decade.

Malaysia Banker Extradited

To Hong Kong After 7 Years

HONG KONG — The Malaysian banker Lorrain Esme Osman arrived in Hong Kong on Wednesday to face graft charges relating to a huge business scandal after losing a seven-year battle against

Mr. Osman was arrested at his home in a London suburb in

December 1985. Since then he has fought Hong Kong efforts to extradite him. A spokesman for the Independent Commission Against Corruption said Mr. Osman would appear in court on Thursday. He is

expected to face 42 charges of conspiracy to defraud, conspiracy to steal, false accounting and receipt of corrupt payments.

Mr. Osman is a former chairman of the Hong Kong subsidiary of

the state-owned Bank Burniputra Malaysia, which lost about I billion ringgit (about \$400 million) in bad loans when the Carrian

A fellow banker at the Hong Kong subsidiary, Bumiputra Finance Malaysia Ltd., gave up his battle against extradition after a year. Mohammed Hashim Shamsuddin admitted defrauding the unit of

1.1 billion Hong Kong dollars (about \$140 million) and accepting 15 million dollars in bribes. He was jailed for 10 years.

Group of the tycoon George Tan collapsed a decade ago.

extradition from Britain, police said.

# Taipei Offers

TAIPEI - Taiwan will resume privatization of state companies by selling a 60 percent stake in BES Engineering Corp., one of the island's biggest construction companies, the concern said Wednesday. The chairman of BES, Regis

Chen, announced an offer of 198 million shares, worth about 6.1 billion Taiwan dollars (\$239.5 million), that would make BES the first state-owned Taiwan enterprise transferred into majority private ownership since the 1960s.

Of the total, 122 million shares will be offered to the public and the rest to more than 2,000 employees of the company. Applications to buy shares, priced at 30.61 dollars each. will be accepted from Dec. 21 to 24. After the offer, the government's stake in BES will drop to 40 percent, Mr. Chen said.

BES plans to list on the Taiwan Stock Exchange in early February and eventually reduce state owner-

ship to 20 percent. Privatization will give us more room to improve our management, and we will be in a better position to compete." Mr. Chen said.

BES is a major builder of ports, highways and other infrastructure. Taiwan launched a program in 1989 to raise about \$20 billion through privatization of 22 companies, including industrial enter-prises and some of the island's big-

The program has proceeded more slowly than expected. It was halted this year because of a stock market slump, bureaucratic delays and op-

position from interest groups within the government and labor unions. Analysts, noting the poor health of the stock market, said it was not clear whether the BES offer would be a success. "The BES offer will be a crucial test of whether the government can go forward with the privatisation program," said David Lieu of Chief Securities.



#### **Very briefly:**

 All Nippon Airways Co. dismissed reports in newspapers that the company would reduce its weekly flights to New York and Washington. Maleysia Airlines is seeking an estimated \$100 million in financing from the U.S. Export & Import Bank to buy four B-737-400 jets.

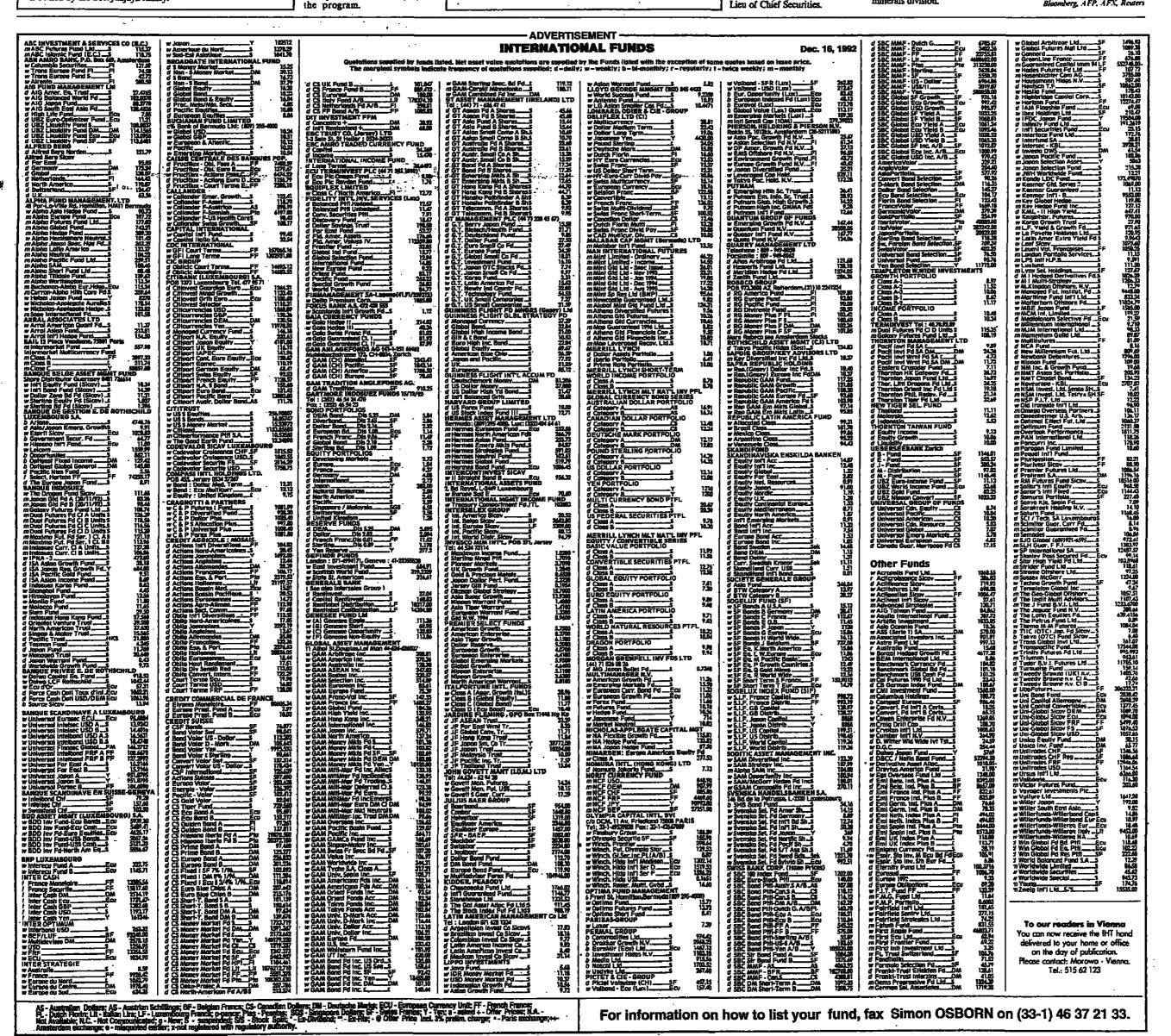
• Ekran Bhd of Malaysia is reported to have won a \$4 billion contract for natural-gas development and construction work in Iran.

• Varta Batterie AG of Germany and Toshiba Co. have formed a joint venture to make button cells in Singapore, to be called Varta Toshiba

 Jardine Strategic Holdings Ltd. has taken a 16 percent stake in Cycle & Carriage Ltd. of Singapore for 1 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$130 million). • American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and Northern Telecom Ltd. will this week sign deals to sell communications equipment to China.

• Orix Corp. will acquire a 20 percent stake, worth 294.25 million rupees (\$10 million), in an Indian leasing company, Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Ltd., in mid-1993.

• Broken Hill Pty., Australia's largest company, is expected to announce net half-year profit of more than 500 million Australian dollars (\$345 million) on Friday. The best results are expected from the company's Bloomberg, AFP, AFX, Reuters



# SPORTS BASKE

# Hawks, Beaten, Also Lose Wilkins to Broken Finger

Dominique Wilkins, who didn't miss more than four games in any of his first nine years in the National Basketball Association, faces his second injury rehabilitation in two scasons.

Wilkins, whose 28.5-point scor-ring average before Tuesday night's

Joe Dumars led the Pistons with
Todd Day's 3-pointer pulled the
Bucks to 104-100 with 50 seconds to game was second only to Michael Jordan's 32.8, fractured a finger on his right hand in the second period of the Atlanta Hawks' 107-94 loss to the Detroit Pistons.

Atlanta, which won only 16 of its

### Florida State Is Upended By Duquesne

PITTSBURGH — Florida State hadn't played for two weeks, although for 30 minutes the 10th-ranked Seminoles hardly looked it. But then they didn't play much for the last 10 minutes of the game against Duquesne. That cost them. pointers during a 17-2 run led a remarkable comeback by as the

cit lo stun Florida State, 91-84, on "Tuesday night.
"It was one of Duquesne's biggest wictories since beating Detroit, then a top-10 team, 95-88, in doui ble overtime on Feb. 19, 1977, to end the Titans' 21-game winning

-Dukes rallied from a 18-point defi-

The Dukes, coming off a loss to Kent University, overcame Bob Sura's 34 points and a 59-41 deficit behind Whitehead's outside shooting and Derrick Alston's 20 points. Duquesne trailed by 70-54 before scoring 37 of the final 51 points with runs of 8-0 and 13-0.

Sura, a former Pennsylvania high school star who had been heavily recruited by Duquesne, scored 10 straight points just after the second half started to give the Seminoles (3-3) what seemed a secure lead at

But Duquesne (4-1) took advan-tage of a five-minute break that Florida State's coach, Pat Kennedy. gave Sura and scored eight straight points to slice the lead to 59-49. A 13-0 run, keyed by Whitehead's three 3-pointers, made it 70-67 with just over six minutes left.

The same defense that Florida State easily broke to score a succession of fast-break baskets in the first half began working in the second half, prompting a total of 27 turnovers by the Seminoles. Alabama-Birmingham 75, No. 18

Tuiane 69: In another upset of a ranked team, Stanley Jackson scored 19 points and Carter Long chipped in 17 as Alabama-Birmingham (7-1), playing at home, defeated Tulane.

Tulane (5-2) cut Alabama-Birmingham's lead to 71-67 on two free throws by Pointer Williams with 36 seconds left, but Long "made two foul shots 13 seconds later. Jackson stole the ball on Tulane's next possession, and drove for a dunk that ensured victory.

last season, will have to do without

went for a rebound.

#### NBA HIGHLIGHTS

Isiah Thomas had 23 points and a season-high 16 assists for Detroit, while Rodman, the top rebounder in the NBA, had 21 rebounds, his eighth time in nine games with at

Detroit, which has won six of seven games, led by 51-36 at the half, then made 5 of 6 3-pointers to build an 85-66 third-period lead. Cetics 124, Timberwolves 119: Boston won at Minnesota for its eighth victory in 11 games as Reg-gie Lewis scored 29 of his 31 points after halftime and Xavier McDaniel scored six points in the second overtime after sitting out most of the second half.

Rookie Christian Laettner sei treer highs with 35 points and 17

rebounds for the Timberwolves.

Suns 125, Bullets 110: Phoenix
woo its eighth straight game and set
a team record by hitting 10 of 13 3pointers against visiting Washing-Charles Barkley scored 36 points

and Danny Ainge hit three 3-pointers and scored 16 of his 23 points in the final quarter for the Suns. whose previous record for 3-pointers in a game was nine, three years ago against Golden State. Tom Gugliotta scored 27 points for the Bullets.

Lakers 107, Spurs 101: Sedale Threatt scored 24 points and Vlade Divac's buzzer-beating 3-pointer

last 40 games when Wilkins went capped a 13-0 run at the end of the out with a ruptured Achilles' tendon third quarter that propelled Los third quarter that propelled Los Angeles to victory on the road.

Wilkins fractured his right ring finger as he and Dennis Rodman went for a rebound Gary Payton's 22 points.

go, but Derrick McKey's two free rows with 32 seconds left and a layup by Shawn Kemp settled matters.
Warriors 109, Clippers 90: In Oakland, California, Tim Hardaway and Chris Mullin each had 27 points and rookie Latrell Sprewell had 19, including 11 in the third period, when the Warriors outscored Los Angeles, 30-21, for

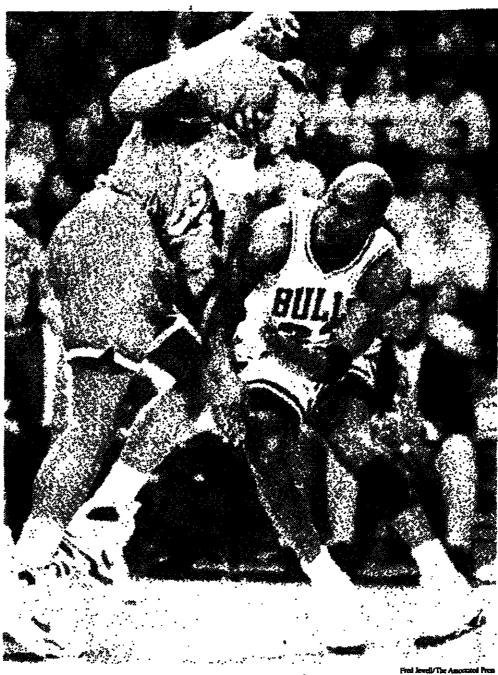
an 85-71 lead. Bulls 125, Hornets 110: Scottie Pippen scored 26 points and Michael Jordan 25 to lead Chicago, at bome, to its 16th straight victory over Charlotte. It was the first time in 19 games that Jordan was not the Bulls leading scorer.

Magic 119, 76ers 107: Dennis Scott's 25 points was one of four 20point efforts by Orlando in a home-court victory over Philadelphia that snapped a six-game losing streak.

Jeff Turner scored 22 points and Nick Anderson 21, and Shaquille O'Neal had 20 points, 14 rebounds and 6 blocked shots as the Magic coasted after building a 27-point lead in the third quarter. Knicks 108, Nets 94: Patrick Ew-

ing scored 27 points and John Starks and Greg Anthony sparked a game-breaking 12-0 second-half run as New York won on the road. Drazen Petrovic scored 29 points before fouling out for the Nets.

There were 69 personal fouls and 74 free throws in all, and four technicals — all against the Knicks, who won for the fifth time in six



Charlotte's highly touted rookie center, Alonzo Mourning, ran into the NBA's top gun, Michael Jordan, in Chicago and the Hornets got stung for the 16th straight time by the Bulls, 125-110.

### Bowman and Jets Reach New Heights, Rangers Level Off

The Associated Press

On a night of astronomical statistics in the National Hockey League, Scotty Bowman reached No. 800, the Winnipeg Jets made it No. 400 and the New York Rangers didn't get past No. 236.

Those were the key numbers Tuesday night as Bowman won his 800th regular-season game as a coach career, in Pittsburgh's 6-2 victory over Philadelphia; the Jets yet their 400th victory by beating New Jersey, 4-3; and the Rangers were blanked by Calgary, 3-0, end-ing their 236-game scoring streak.

It means a lot of nights at the arena, a lot of good teams and a lot of great players." Bowman said of his milestone. "I guess the ingredi-ents that you need to win a lot of games were there with most of the eams. They won a lot because they

were strong teams."

Bowman, the winningest coach in NHL history, improved his regular-season record to 800-367-222. Since 1967, he has coached in St. Louis, Montreal, Buffalo and Pittsburgh. He won five Stanley Cups in Montreal and a sixth in Pittsburgh

Penguins 6, Flyers 2: Kevin Stevens scored twice as Pittsburgh beat the Eric Lindros-less Flyers. Philadelphia, which had won five of six games before Lindros, the rookie center, went out of the lineup with a sprained left knee liga-ment on Nov. 22, has gone 2-6-1 since. With five straight losses, the Flyers are one short of the team record set in 1970. They are 1-9-1 in their last 11 road games.

Jets 4, Devils 3: Defenseman Fredrik Olausson scored twice, Teemu Selanne once and Bob Es-

sensa made 42 saves as Winnipeg recovered from a shaky start to beat New Jersey and recorded its 400th victory since entering the NHL in 1979. The Jets are 400-523-146 in their 14th year; they have

had only two winning seasons.
Flames 3. Rangers 0: Robert Reichel scored two goals and Mike Vernon made 39 saves for his second shutout in two nights as Calgary stopped New York to end the fourth-longest scoring streak in

NHL history.

Vernon, who made 33 saves in blanking Detroit by 3-0 on the road

#### **NHL HIGHLIGHTS**

Monday night, improved his record to 8-3-2 in his last 13 starts with his

sixth career shutout.

Red Wings 3, Senators 2: Sergei Fedorov's highlight-film goal in overtime — his second tally of the

night - edged Ottawa Fedorov wheeled from inside the Detroit zone and outraced two opponents before sweeping around defenseman Norm Maciver and tucking the puck under the stick side of goaltender Peter Sidorkiewicz at 2:10.

Jimmy Carson's 60-foot (18-meter) slapshot with less than five minutes left in regulation had tied the game for Detroit. Fedorov's overtime goal gave the Red Wings only their fourth point in 11 games.

Sabres 3, Bruins 2: Bullalo's Russians were a goal better than Boston's Russians as Alexander Mogilny got the game-winner mid-way through the third period and Yuri Khmylev also scored for the Sabres, who have defeated the Bruins three straight times this season. Grigori Panteleyev had a goal for

North Stars 6, Maple Leafs 5: Mike Modano scored on a break-away with 1:06 left to complete Minnesota's comeback from a 4-1 deficit. Modano had a goal and two assists, as did Toronto rookie Nikolai Borschevsky. The victory snapped a two-game home losing streak for the Stars, who have also won seven straight on the road. Toronto has won just two of its last

Islanders 4, Blues 3: Derek King scored with 2:27 left in overtime as New York won the first regularseason NHL game ever played in Texas. The contests drew a crowd of 11,251 to Reunion Arena in Dallas — about 5,000 under capacity. Dallas has been mentioned as a future NHL expansion site.

dersson scored on a penalty shot with 32.8 seconds left in the third period, dealing goalie Robb Stauber his first defeat of the sea-

### NFL's Golden Boys Continue to Be Those 49ers

MINNEAPOLIS - The National Football League's owners are meeting to talk about any number of issues. One topic that won't be on the agenda, but should be, is a measure that would reverse the AFL-NFL merger. Surely there must be some "best crests of the game" clause that would at least allow the league to ban an American Conference team from the Super Bowl in those years in which none of its teams are worthy. Which is just about always.

The Philadelphia Eagles, who probably will be a National Conference wild-card team, are better than anything the AFC has to offer. So are the probable wild-card Washington Redskins, the wild-card New Orleans Saints (who still may win the division), the probable NFC East champion Dallas Cowboys, even the Minnesota Vikings and Green Bay Packers, one of which probably won't make the playoffs.

But there's one team that's better than all of the aforementioned. This team has the league's most valuable player, arguably the MVP runner-up, a backup quarterback who's the greatest ever to play the position and likely the home field advantage

throughout the playoffs. Reintroducing - the San Francisco

have been gone for awhile and Joe Montana has been injured, many tend to think the 49ers have sort of slipped back into the pack. They haven't.

A desperation pass by the Atlanta Falcons cost them a spot in the playoffs last season, but the 49ers (12-2) have won 18 of their last 20 games. Sunday, in Minneapolis, they beat the desperate Vikings, 20-17. The defense, which is supposed to be the team's soft spot, allowed only a field goal. An interception for a touchdown (amazingly, the Vikings' sixth this season) and a special teams play made for some drama.

As quarterback Steve Young said after-"We have such high expectations around here, we win one so close and we start saying. Should have, could have won by more,' instead of saying, 'This is an

The most impressive thing about it was the 134 yards gained by rookie running back Amp Lee, who was playing for injured Ricky Watters, who has looked suspiciously like a young Roger Craig. A year ago, the 49ers, despite a 10-6 record, didn't have one dependable running back; now they have two.

The offense looks as potent as it ever did under Montana, even though the very sug-

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have gained more yards than any other team and now their coach, George Seifert, has the delightful problem of what to do

this week or next to test himself at home against Tampa Bay and-or Detroit.

Joe Montana, backup quarterback. with two young backs who can each go for 100 yards in a game against good defenses.

Jamie Williams, the veteran tight end, talked about how the dramatically improved rushing game "makes route-running casier, makes blocking easier, makes playaction more effective - Occoooh, it makes a difference."

Nobody else has three guys - don't forget Young — who can control the game on the ground. And all this does is make Young more effective. He is not just having seasons a quarterback's ever had.

He's completed 67.4 percent of his passes and thrown 22 touchdowns and just seven interceptions. Not only has he stepped into Montana's shoes, the only time Montana ever completed a higher percentage of passes (70.2) was in 1989, his signature season. The only time Montana ever had a 3-to-1 touchdown-to-interception ratio, as Young has now, was in 1989 when he threw 26 touchdowns and eight interceptions.

If guard-center Ralph Tanun hadn't inunder Montana, even though the very sug-gestion of it sounds sacrilegious. Young is the top-rated passer in the league, the 49ers day. As it is, he's going to come back either

This is not good news for the rest of the NFC. You think the Redskins' 17-5 December record since 1987 is good? The 49ers are 20-2. One ranking of the best teams in the

eague with two weeks to go is: 49ers, Cowboys, Saints, Redskins, Eagles, Packers, Vikings, Dolphins, Chargers, Bills, Steelers. And the strange thing about the Red-skins-Eagles game this Sunday in Philadel-phia is that the loser could really be the winner for the short term.

The loser of that game - assu Redskins beat the Raiders and the Eagles beat the New York Giants in the final week -would play at Minnesota. And the Vikings, until they get a real quarterback, are beatable. The Redskins, in fact, already proved that, back when Washington had so many injuries.

The winner of the Eagles-Redskins game will probably have to play in New Orleans, an infinitely harder game against a team that, miraculously, is discovering an offense to go with the best defense in the league.

On the other hand, if you can get past the Saints the first week, next up is Dallas, not the 49ers. But, a trip to San Francisco, for somebody, appears inevitable.

CALVIN AND HOBBES

### NFL-Player Talks Stall

Washington Post Service

DALLAS - Negotiators for the Na-tional Football League and its players once again failed to reach a final agreement for labor peace because of what the league described as a half-dozen "significant differences" and the play-ers termed "mechanical issues."

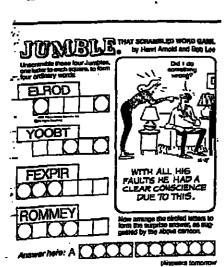
The Pittsburgh Steelers' owner, Dan Rooney, a member of Management Council's executive committee, said he doubted any agreement would be struck in Dallas, where all 28 NFL owners were meeting Wednesday to spearheaded last week by Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and the players' lead attorney, James Quinn.
The NFL's spokesman, Joe Browne,

said the points that kept the committee from accepting the agreement included "everything from the duration of the contract; how long the draft would be; how the salary cap would be applied to teams with a large number of free agents; how you'd begin the new agree-ment as of Feb. 1; how is it worked out so that with players in their first, second. third and fourth years, how would the compensation and first-refusal system be set up. Those are major differences."

Stauber, who had gone 10 straight games without a loss (9-0-1) and had won seven in a row, tried to beat Andersson to a loose puck in the left corner of the Kings' zone. But he lost the grip of his stick while poking the puck away, and referee Mike McGeough awarded the first-year expansion club its second penalty shot of the season. The first, by Brian Bradley, failed.

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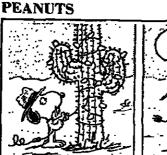
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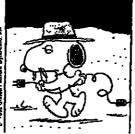
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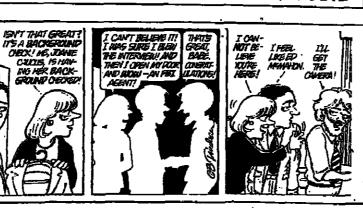


















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# SPORTS SOCCER

### French Skater Discovers U.S. California Training Helps Bonaly Bloom

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By Christopher Clarey Special to the Herald Tribune

PARIS - It was early on a gray European morning. and the conversation quickly turned to the one subject : guaranteed to transform Surya Bonaly into a chatterhox: the United States.

"Have you been to Magic Mountain?," she asked excitedly. "What about Disneyland? Universal Studios? What about Sea World? Was there a skating

show at Sea World when you went?"
This has been a fashionable year to rediscover America, and Bonaly - flash with a French teenager's zeal for all things nouvenu monde - has hardly been manue to the trend.

She and her omnipresent, adoptive mother, Su-California to train at the figure skating center run by Frank Carroll, a respected American coach. Their first isit was in June, when Bonaly was still reeling from her disappointing fifth-place finish at the Olympics and disastrous 11th-place finish at the

world championship. If all had gone according to plan, daughter and mother would have stayed considerably longer than a month. "Our idea was to go to the Unit-ed States to train with Frank on a

permanent basis," Bonaly said.
"Frank was willing, but the French
Federation wouldn't go along with it. They wanted me to have a French coach and keep my base What the French Federation of

Ice Sports reportedly wanted to avoid was the precedent established by its star ice dancers Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay, the French Canadian transplants who trained for seven years in the isolated German town of Oberstdorf with a Czechoslovak coach, Martin Skotnicky. Though the Duchesnays came away from the Olympics in Albertville with a silver medal, federation officials later grumbled about the cost and of feeling disconnected.

This time the Bonalys were told firmly that if they wanted to expatriate themselves, they would have to do so at their own expense.

We thought seriously about changing nationalities altogether," said Suzanne Bonaly, who acted as her daughter's primary coach from April until September. We love France, but we had the feeling we were being attacked. If Surya would have had propositions, we wouldn't have hesitated even a second because really the whole situation was too much. But to have propositions, you have to search for them, and we had other

That point is perhaps debatable in light of reports that estimate Surya's gross annual revenue at 3.5 million francs (\$650.000). But it is beyond debate that despite all the bruised feelings and blown landings earlier this year, Surya's skating career has suddenly taken a sharp turn for the better. Since returning from the United States in late September and grudgingly joining forces with her new coach, Alain Giletti, she as skated in four connections and won three: the Nation's Cup in Gelsenkirchen, Germany; the Lalique Trophy in Paris and on Saturday, the prestigious

NHK Trophy in Tokyo.
In the process, she has bested the majority of her emaining amateur rivals, including ther compatriot Lactitia Hubert, Chen Lu of China, a bronze medalist at last year's world championship, and Yuka Sato of Japan, who won the Skate America competition in October by overshadowing the stylish, emotionally

fragile American, Nancy Kerrigan.
All at once. Bonaly, who turned 19 on Tuesday, is

Surya is due most of all to the fact that she has rediscovered the joy of skating."

The joy disappeared on the tense road to Albertville, as Bonaly and her mother engaged in a series of disputes with the skater's longtime coach, Didier Gail-haguet, and his choreographer wife, Annick. The federation helped mediate an entente, but after Bonaly's dispirited, error-filled performance in Albertville, the

Gailhagnets decided to make the split permanent.

"I have no problem with Surya," said Didier Gailhagnet. "Surya is a charming child with lots of fine-qualities. Surya's problem is with her mother, who rings her lots of good but also lots of bad.

"I have no doubt that Surya needs her mother, and I am not one of those who thinks the best thing is to separate them. But, unfortunately, her mother has made some enormous tactical errors, like changing Surya's Olympic long program at the last minute, I told Surya not to try the quadruple jump, and then she did it anyway. If it was going to be like that, it was of no use to continue on together. You can't throw bombs all day and not

think they're going to explode."

Already upset by the negative post-Olympic tone of the French press, the Bonalys proceeded to spend an unsetting contentious month working with André Bronet, an interior couch a present les the an interim coach appointed by the federation. At the world champion-ship in Oakland, California, Bonay hit bottom, finishing 10th in the short program and 12th in the long.
"Oakland was the pits," she said.

"The federation gave me a coach who spent his time telling me I was worthless, and that I wasn't professional about my skating. He tried to change every-thing, my way of training, everything. He didn't accept that my mother would correct me sometimes. For the next six months, Mrs. Bonaly, a physical

education instructor by training, got the chance to make most of the corrections. More important, her daughter got the chance to calm her frazzled nerves and begin focusing on her weaknes "We needed some time to heal," Surya said. "It felt

a little like people had been shooting at us."

When the Bonalys arrived in California in June, Surva was particularly receptive.

"What I mainly tried to do," Carroll said, "was change the focus of what she thought was important in her skating to what the judges felt was important. I think Surya was simply obsessed with doing four turns in the air, and her main focus needed to be on better skating, meaning steps over the ice, more complicated moves into jumps and a better, more pleasing line. She trained very hard and was very cooperative; she's really very easy to work with." And Mrs. Bonaly?

"Fine," Carroll said. "My French is very limited, and her English is very limited. Sometimes that can help." Even without the language barrier, the affable Gi-letti appears to have created a workable relationship with both Bonalys. But that does not mean he is now the sole architect of Surya's career. Because Giletti lives 200 kilometers south of Paris in Tours, he commmes four times a week by train for practice sessions. When he is not present, Suzanne Bonaly runs practice.

You know, the truth of the matter is that we really

don't need anybody," she said last mouth. "We could go off just the two of us and be fine. We really could, but it's just not realistic: because of money, because of

the politics with the judges, for all these reasons."

But there is apparently one place the Bonalys have learned to need. And in February, in preparation for the world championship that represents Surya's most important competition before the 1994 Olympics, she



Peter van Vossen, left, battling Turkish defender Bulent Korkmaz, scored twice for the Netherlands.

### Marlins Sign All-Star Santiago, Yankees Finally Get — Boggs

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatche MIAMI -The expansion Florida Marlins landed their first topflight player Wednesday, signing Benito Santiago, an all-star catcher each of the last four seasons, to a two-year contract a day after the New York Yankees finally found a free agent willing to accept some of

They signed Wade Boggs to a ee-year, \$11 million contract. Santiago signed a two-year, \$7.2

A native of Puerto Rico, he had pressed a desire to move closer to bome after playing for San Diego. He sought a five-year, \$30 million contract with the Padres, but they decided months ago to let him go. Santiago began his professional

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time American League batting think the signing was right, they champion would make their thirdbase troubles disappear.

The signing was curious because Boggs, 34, is coming off the worst If you're not, you're in trouble."

of his 1! seasons in the major

Once Charlie Hayes was exposed leagues, all with the Boston Red Sox, and there is speculation that an ailing back will prevent him

from playing well again.
In failing to hit .300 for the first time in his career, Boggs batted .259 last season, which dropped his career average from .345 to .338. He missed several games with mus-.. cle spasms in his lower back. Now he will miss cozy Fenway Park, where he hit 369.

Manager Buck Showalter and the Yankees' general manager, Gene Michael, were initially against sign-Bopps but Ge

said. "Everyone pulls together once it is done. You're a company man.

in the expansion draft and taken by the Colorado Rockies last month, the Yankees' Tampa-based executives decided that signing Boggs would make enough of a splash to help offset some of the negative publicity surrounding the loss of their regular third baseman.

Molloy signed Boggs to the lucrative three-year contract even though the Yankees had sought a two-year deal. The Los Angeles Dodgers had offered Boggs a twoyear, \$6 million contract.

The Texas Rangers signed relievskating less like a former gymnast and more like a dancer. As a result, she is now a heavy favorite to win her third straight European title next month in Helsin-ki, and should pose a legitimate threat at the world championship in March in Prague.

"She is getting better and better," said Giletti, the 1960 men's world champion. "It is due to several things: better artistic expression, a better environment and more confidence in herself. But the blossoming of the states of fears of a two-year deal made her mother plan to once again board a plane and the managing partner, Joseph Molloy, were enamored of him because they think he is a marking better and better," said Giletti, the 1960 men's world champion. "It is due to several things: better artistic expression, a better environment and more confidence in herself. But the blossoming of the states, it is like we get the chance to be ourselves," and more confidence in herself. But the blossoming of the states, it is like we get the chance to be ourselves."

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# Dutch Triumph, Spain Romps in **Cup Qualifiers**

ISTANBUL — The Netherlands defeated Turkey, 3-1, in a European Group 2 first leg World Cup qualifying match Wednesday that raised Dutch hopes that they would make it to the 1994 finals.

The victory put the highly rated Netherlands into a tie with England and Poland for second place in the group with three points, although from one more match than the other two. Norway leads the group, from which two team adance to the World Cup in the United States, with seven points from four matches.

And for a team shorn of star strikers Marco van Basten and Dennis Bergkamp, it was novice international Peter van Vossen who emerged the hero with two goals, to

double his World Cup total. The Dutch, beaten by Norway and held to a draw at home by Poland in their opening two match-es, at first struggled on a wet field to break down the Turkish defense, and could not break through until the 57th minute.

Vossen, who scored both goals in the 2-2 draw with Poland, then put a shot into the net and two minutes later Rund Gullit marked his return from three months of voluntary exile with the second goal. But Turkey quickly struck back. ith a goal by Feyyaz Ucar in the

Three minutes from time, Anderlecht striker van Vossen, in only his third international, ensured victory with his second goal

■ Spain Buries Latvia, 5-0 Spain picked up two quick goals early in the second half to break a scoreless draw and cruised to a 5-0

rictory over Latvia in a Group 3 World Cup qualifier, The Associated Press reported from Seville. Spain has seven points in five games on two victories and three

ties; Latvia has yet to win, with

four ties and three losses. José Maria Bakero gave Spain a 1-0 lead in the 48th with a shot from 10 meters, and José Guardiola made it 2-0 by drilling a goal from 20 meters two minutes later. Alfonso Perez Muñoz tallied from close range in the 78th minute, and Aitor Beguiristain scored in the 80th and 82d minutes.

■ Premier League: Only 22 in England's Premier League were rejected Wednesday by the coun- ombe, had been advised by West try's top soccer clubs, but a revolu-

The clubs agreed to set up a working party to examine a proposal from Tottenham's chairman Terry Venables, to form an under-21 premier league.

**a** U.S. Team Being Formed The U.S. Soccer Federation has asked 20 players to move to Mission Viejo, California, and begin full-time training for the 1994 World Cup, The Associated Press

Included are goalkeepers Brad Friedel and Tony Meola, and defenders Desmond Armstrong, Marcelo Balboa, Paul Caligiuri, Fernan-Lapper and Janusuz Michallik.

The midfielders are Mike Burns Mark Chung, Chris Henderson. Cobi Jones, Dominic Kinnear, Joe-Max Moore, Bruce Murray, Brian Quinn and Mike Sorber, Jean Ha-bor and Peter Vermes are the for-

The group, which was offered 1993 contracts with the U.S. national team, will form the core squad that the United States will use for its matches next year.

For important matches, the team will be supplemented by players based overseas: goalkeeper Kasey Keller (Milwall, England): defender Thomas Dooley (Kaiserslautern, Germany); midfielders John Harkes (Sheffield Wednesday, England), Tab Ramos (Real Betis, Spain) and Hugo Perez (Ittihad, Saudi Arabia): and forwards Roy Wegerle (Blackburn, England), Ernie Stewart (Willem II Tilburg, Netherlands), Eric Wynalda (Saarbrucken, Germany) and Frank Klopas (AEK Athens).

■ Menotti Quits in Mexico Cesar Luis Menotti resigned Tuesday as coach of Mexico's national team, Reuters reported.

"I've been making diagnoses, but to very little response, and this was a strong influence on my decision to go," said the Argentine. Under Menotti, Mexico finished atop the CONCACAF qualifying Group A for the 1994 World Cup.

■ English Coach Threatened

Coventry's Bobby Gould has become the second manager in England to be warned to stay away from a soccer ground for his own safety, Reuters reported. A British television compan

confirmed Wednesday that Gould. who was to provide commentary at Proposals for a second division
Tuesday's FA Cup replay between
Bengland's Premier League were
West Bronnwich Albion and Wyc-Brom and the police not to attend

### Victory Streak Ended, He's Still Bobbin' Along

LA PLAGNE, France — Wolf-gang Hoppe ended Brian Shimer's

season-opening three-race victory streak Wednesday in a World Cup four-man bobsled race. Still, the season's American surprise, who had never seen snow until he was 18, lost to the two-time Olympic champion from Germany by only 0.01-second.

The first time the 30-year-old Floridian saw snow, he had trouble making a snowball. Now he is guiding 1,400-pound (635-kilogram) bobsleds down an icy chute at more

than 80 mph (130 kph).
"It's such a natural high. Just the uncertainty, the danger of being almost out of control on ice."

event this season.

He opened the season with victories in Calgary, Alberta, and the days before the Olympic competition. German runs of Altenburg and tion.

Winterburg. Wednesday, he and teammates enth in the two-man event. Randy Jones, Karlos Kirby and Bryan Leturgez opened with a run of 58.52 and followed with the fastest second-run time of 58.78.

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four-man driver standings and has been in the top five in all four of the

two-man events.

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the competition.

The bobsled teams now take a month break before resuming in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. The world champion in Enhancement of the Lieuten and the cleveland with the competition. in Igls, Austria, in February.

Shimer credits and this year to putting a lot of turmou behind him.

"Last year, every race I had a different brakeman," Shimer said.
"It kept on weighing me down. By Minnesota Desires." uncertainty, the danger of being almost out of control on ice,"
Shimer said before the race. "Every trip down is different, is a different sensation. And to master it and get down faster than anybody else is really addicting."

He has been going faster than anybody else is anyone else so far in the four-man event this season.

different brakeman," Shimer said.

"It kept on weighing me down. By the time I got to the Olympics with Herschel Walker, I was still teaching him and trying to learn myself."

Walker, a professional football player, was put on the Olympic team after court-ordered push trials in mid-January. But his lack of experience led to his removal on experience led to his removal on

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### **SCOREBOARD**

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#### SIDELINES

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Dusty Baker was hired Wednesday to replace Roger Craig as manager of the San Francisco Giants. The team's hitting coach for the past four season, Baker had been expected to get the

Baker became the fourth black manager in the majors, joining Cito Gaston of the Toronto Blue Jays, Hal McRae of the Kansas City Royals and Don Baylor of the Colorado Rockies. There also are two Hispanic managers: Felipe Alou of the Montreal Expos and Tony Perez of the Cincinnati Reds.

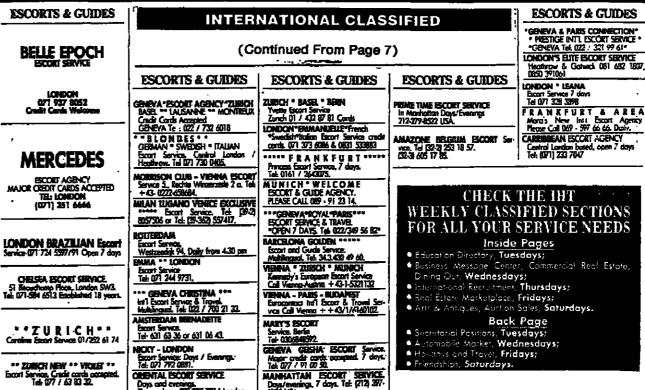
World motorcycling's governing body, following the example of auto racing officials, said Wednesday it had canceled the 1993 French Grand Prix because of the government's ban on tobacco advertising. (AP)
Visny Pazienza, whose neck was broken in an automobile accident lust

November, a month after he won the world junior middleweight title from Gilbert Dele of France, won every round and knocked down Luis Santana twice in the ninth for a 10-round decision in Ledyard. Connecti-

Crisanto Espana of Venezuela was unable to receive his WBA welter-weight championship belt in Caracas on Tuesday—gunmen had stolen it from an official who was earrying it in his briefcase. (Remers)

#### Ouotable

• Larry Guest, of the Orlando Sentinel, on the Heisman Trophy balloting: "I was tempted to split my first-place vote between Johnny Majors' heart surgeon and the castrated bull at Mississippi State, easily the two most important figures in college football this season."



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### Time for a New Watch

WASHINGTON — You have truth is that I don't plan to dive 20 probably noticed from the feet." newspaper advertisements that the only items available for Christmas

this year are watches. There are Swatch watches, sport watches, \$25 watches, \$15,000 watches, moon watches, deep sea

watches. There Gucci watches, Swiss Atmy watches and, if you walk down Fifth Aveпие, you сал see miles of card tables displaying fake Rolex

Why all the watches, when Buchwald presumably most of us already

have a watch? Norman Lear, a watch merchant, told me. "People no longer wear a watch to tell the time. They wear it to make a statement.

What kind of a statement? "They are saying to the world that their watch speaks for who they are, and what they stand for. and how much time they have to

"With all due respect, I have all "Bite your tongue. Do you have

a watch that is certified to dive 120 feet underwater? "No, but then again I have no intention of diving 120 feet. The

#### Tate Plans Gallery Of Modern Art

ONDON - London, one of the few major capitals not to have a modern art museum, has announced plans to build such a gallery by the turn of the century.

The Tate Gallery, which houses some international modern art as well as most of the national collection of British painting, said it will set up a Tate Gallery of Modern Art.

nance the project, which could cost this such an unpredictable country to £100 million (\$156 million).

"You say that now, but one day you're going to be on a boat and someone will put on an oxygen tank and say, 'I wonder what kind of mollusks there are on the bottom of the ocean?' Because you don't have a watch that can stand pressure, you will be forced to stay on board."

"O. K., so I can't deep sea dive. What else do I need a watch for?" "You do a lot of flying, don't

"Only as a passenger."
"It doesn't matter. You should never go up without a chronograph

strapped to your wrist." 'I'm not going to fly the plane." "Suppose the pilot and co-pilot pass out? You'll never land without a chronograph strapped to your

"You still haven't told me why American merchants expect to sell so many watches.

"The reason is that people are now wearing more than one watch at the same time. Kids especially have one on each wrist. The price of watches has dropped so fast that almost anyone can afford to buy them. Nobody goes out specifically looking for a watch. But they nearly all end up with one because people can't pass up a bargain. Here is an alarm watch, and this model you can talk into, and this one talks back to you. This one tells the time in eight zones. Over here is a cuckoo watch. The cuckoo is voice-acti-

I said, "I realize that watches play a part in our gift-giving, but why are they the only items available this Christmas?

"Because it's the only present you can give and then check up later to see if the person is wearing

"If there are so many watches, why are American people still late for their appointments?

"You can't blame a timepiece for human error. Some people wear a watch and never look at it at all. Others stare at their watches for The Tate hopes for a mixture of hours and they still don't know private and public money to fi- what time it is. That's what makes

## Crossed Swords at Tony Paris Sports Club

By Christopher Petkanas

PARIS — An ugly fight has broken out at the Racing Club de France, a prestigious private sports organization that produces Olympic athletes and serves as a social club for France's moneyed classes. For such a tony establishment, the language and behavior have been stunning in their virulence.

At stake is the direction of the 110-yearold club. Alain Danet, the 61-year-old president, is stepping down and a new president is about to be elected. Whoever wins, it is unlikely that "Le Racing," as regulars know

it, will ever be quite the same again.

The infighting, which has included two highly publicized suspensions from the club, has mostly concerned financial matters, with members opposed to Danet saying that the club is spending too much on the wrong things. Indeed, members have been so critical of the way money is spent that the management responded in a mail-ing to members in November, in which members were in turn attacked for spreading false information.

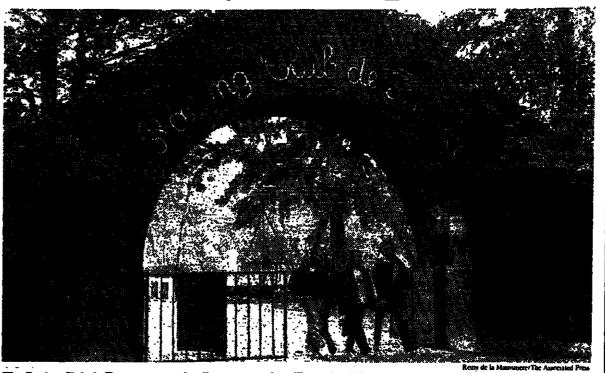
Symptomatic of what is causing tensions to run high at the club these days is what might be called "L'Affaire Bornet."

Alain Bornet, a member since 1954, was recently barred from Le Racing for six months by the so-called Discipline Commission. The 62-year-old Bornet, who is part of the opposition that is vigorously challenging the club's administration, complains that the organization is run in a ham-fisted way with little regard for the democratic tradition it is meant to uphold.

It would all be perfectly ridiculous if there were not so much on the line. Eight gold, silver, and bronze medals were collected by Racing men in Albertville and

With about 22,000 members, the Racing Club can be likened to a small exclusive city. The population features the actor Jean-Paul Belmondo, who lends a kind of creased paunchy glamour, and decorative leaders of café society whose idea of working out is pouring tea at the Croix-Catelan clubhouse in the Bois de Boulogne. The entry fee for a single adult for the Croix-Catelan facilities, whose main attractions are the 56 tennis courts and two pools, is 28,000 francs (about \$5,200), plus a yearly fee of 7,000 francs. The presidency of Le Racing is an extremely prestigious post, and its holder moves in powerful social

Last week, 10 men whose club politics are not entirely known were voted onto the 30-member Comité Directeur, or management committee, which will name the president. Jean-Pierre Labro, Elf-Aquitaine's communications director and a



The Racing Club de France, scene of a dispute over who will run the 110-year-old institution.

club vice president, is regarded as Danet's dauphin and a front-runner.

Bornet had hoped to be part of the committee, and he says the Racing Club's action against him was its way of taking him out of the running. In any event, that was one of the effects of the moves.

Antagonism between Alain Danet, a onetime publishing executive whose father and grandfather were also club presidents, and Alain Bornet, who as a young man won a number of honors swimming for it,

is palpable.
"The Commission de Discipline thought that Bornet's conduct was not correct. That's why he's out," said Danet, seated in his well-upholstered office at club headquarters in an unlovely but wellplaced building on Rue Eble in the Seventh Arrondissement. "If you don't respect the rules, we tell you to go. You respect them, you stay."
"I am small game in all this," said Bor-

net, hinting at deeper, darker scandals yet

to surface. If Le Racing is no longer quite as strict and exclusionary as it fancies itself, it is still pretty uptight. Bornet's removal was triggered by a handbill he put out in early October, saying: "This time the cup is full." The price says he homes it is clear. full." The writer says he hopes it is clear what the cup is full of. He refers to "those enfeebled seigneurs of old who looked to

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the vassalage to prolong the essential part of their privileges," and adds: "Today in our club one must combat the unconscionable instead of consecrating it." The handbill took a stand against voting proce-

Bornet paid for his boldness later in the month with a visit from the bailiff, who served him with a summons to present himself before the commission. In connection with his candidacy for the Comité Directeur, it said, he had distributed a

handbill containing seriously defamatory charges aimed at the club and its directors. "When I walked into the meeting they asked me to take a seat," said Bornet, a filmmaker who is seen in his own "Born a Gourmet" videos demonstrating how to make pudding a la Royale. "I said to myself, great — if you're going to rake someone over the coals, you don't invite him to sit down. Then I was told that if I wasn't happy at the club I had only to leave. I said, When I am not happy with the government of Monsieur Mitterrand I don't renounce my French citizenship. Everyone in any case behaved like good little children. When I got up to leave, they all shook my hand, but when I was out the door they suspended me. But I'll survive. I'm a swimmer. The only difference is that my medium now is quicksand."
Ultimately, a civil tribunal in Paris

ruled in favor of Le Racing, and this cost Bornet 10,000 francs in court fees. It will be spring before he is greeted again by Rue Eble's gruff male receptionists in blue blazers, spring before he is allowed back into the paneled lounge hung with bad sports paintings and furnished with a vi-trine filled with gold-fringed satin ban-Bornet insulted people, handed out

tracts," Danet said. "I don't care one bit about any of this. It doesn't interest me at all. There was a suit, he lost, it's finished Everyday we put people out. It happens in clubs all the time. Like we say in England. no comment. When someone is expelled, we don't say if it's because he picked his neighbor's pocket. He made false accusations. After six months, he can become president of Le Racing if he wants." Although "L'Affaire Bornet" is inter-

laced with themes familiar to readers of Balzac, Bornet sees his situation more in terms of Alphonse Daudet's tale of Monsieur Seguin's tenacious goat, who makes it triumphantly through the night before being killed by the wolf in the morning. "I have always lived for the Racing Club," he said. "I will pursue this to the end. This time maybe it's the wolf who dies."

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### **PEOPLE**

Depardieu's Son Is Held On Drug-Selling Charge

starred with his father Gerard De. pardieu in the popular French film Tous les matins du monde," was arrested by the French police and charged with selling heroin at the Versailles train station. The police said they found more beroin and large amount of cash at young Depardieu's home and said he was part of a larger group of people buying heroin in the Netherlands and selling it in the Paris region. If found guilty, he faces several years in prison. In "Matins," Guillaume played the 17th-century composer Marin Marais as an adolescent while his father played him as an adult.

LaToya Jackson is being sued for \$3 million for skipping out on a Las Vegas show after being told she was to be fired. Jackson will be filing a countersuit, her spokesman said, claiming she was forced out the show, "Bare Essence," and did not receive her \$26,500 a week salary. Meanwhile, her brother, Michael Jackson, will receive the Silver Anniversary Entertainer of the Year Award at next month's annual National Association for the Advance-ment of Colored People ceremony.

П What goes around, comes around: The rapper Ice-T is getting a payback from the police for writing and singing the controversal song "Cop Killer," perceived by the police as an invitation to kill accop. Because the Pittsburgh police refused to provide security for his Dec. 22 appearance, the club where he was to appear has canceled the performance.

Did Maria Maples get her job on Broadway through pull in the old Ziegfeld Follies tradition? Well, Donaid Trump's famous ex has just had her contract renewed for a year. for her role in "The Will Rogers Follies" and is reportedly getting her salary doubled. Pierre Cossette, the musical's producer, said Maria has been "absolutely won-derful for the show — everyone"

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Dew York Times, edited by Eugene Maleska.

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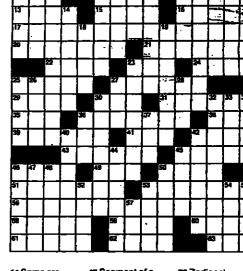
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### **BOOKS**

Jackson, Queen of Gospel By Jules Schwerin. 204 pages. \$19.95. Oxford University Press. Reviewed by Gerald Early

 $T^{\, \text{WO}}$  of the greatest musical artists of the 20th century, one in the secular realm and the other in the sacred, emerged from New Orleans, the city that seems to have been the cradle of much that is Like Armstrong, Jackson was neither Catholic nor Creole in a city noted for both: and, also like Armstrong, she scored her professional key popular musical trends of the eral times, largely because my

GOT TO TELL IT: Mahalia success in Chicago. But we tend to '50s, when Mahalia Jackson was associate her less with New Orleans leading gospel's golden age — is probably because we see her art derivative of black sacred music. It associate her less with New Orleans form as so incongruous with a city That she was one of the finest

voices, trained or untrained, of our time is conceded without debate by among that handful of singers — along with Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, Marian Anderson, Aretha Franklin, Dinah Washington and Sarah Vauehan - so influential in current and much more that is last-ing in American music. One was Louis Armstrong, a man who virtu-ally invented a high art form called headed the post-World War II drive jazz. The other, less obviously, was of bringing black gospet music out the gospel singer Mahalia Jackson. of the church and into the musical mainstream is also beyond question. Much of the energy in rock 'n' roll and black rhythm and blues -

was in the wake of the mighty Mahalia that such groups and singers as Sam Cooke and the Soul Stirrers. the Highway QCs, the Pilgrim Travelers, the Caravans, the Dixie Hummingbirds, the Five Blind Boys, the Green Sisters, Clara Ward, Dorothy Love Coates, the Swan Silvertones and so many others achieved artistic recognition

and commercial success.

Further, Jackson was an important figure in the popular culture of the '50s and early '60s as, for in-stance, an early black presence of some dignity in television and film. I remember being taken by my mother to the local black movie house to see Douglas Sirk's 1959 remake of "Imitation of Life" sevmother so loved Jackson's singing at the film's end.
"Got to Tell It" has its moments of interest and gossipy revelation,

tions" seems an understatement. This bit of personal reminiscence is nothing more than an overblown Jackson became, the more her art magazine article about Schwerin's unsuccessful attempt to make a doc- text of the black church that nurumentary about Jackson in 1955, a tured it or, indeed, from any relifilm that was eventually made in gious significance. 1975, three years after her death. It goes on to recount the author's occason over the years, as well as to down to the business of the serious analysis of Jackson's art.

There are compelling and infor-mative moments in this narrative, and historical background is weak. ington Past.

As Ralph Ellison wrote, Mahalia Jackson was "not primarily a concert singer but a high price the religious ceremony of her church. This observation is crucial biography" but rather the author's as it strikes at the heart of the "personal impressions and reac-contradiction within Jackson herself as an artist and a personality. For the more successful Mahalia form was divorced from the con-

Schwerin's book is just another "white fan gushing" book about the sional and minor dealings with Jack- black soul. It is, frankly, time to get study of important black artists.

Gerald Early, the author of "Tuxedo Junction: Essays on American but much of the cultural analysis Culture," wrote this for The WashBy Alan Truscott

OCIAL bridge games are Sometimes played for tiny stakes, a tenth of a cent a point or even less, and the winners at the end of an evening may collect two or three dollars. At the other end of the scale is a game in London, where the regular stake is £1 a point, so that 100 honors is worth

The game is at the TGR Club, perhaps the most luxurious setting for bridge anywhere in the world. On the diagramed deal the South cards were held by Howard Cohen, real-estate tycoon who is a clubs, strong and artificial, the likely choice of many on this side of the

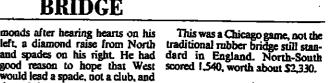
Cohen gently bid two diamonds, and leaped dramatically to six dia- ruff to come.

BRIDGE monds after hearing hearts on his left, a diamond raise from North good reason to hope that West

that duly occurred. He ruffed East's spade king, drew trumps by cashing the ace, and thought it over Any normal play would have failed, and he was fairly sure that it \$\bigveq 0.52 \\ \mathcal{7.653}\$ would fail. He felt certain there were five or six hearts headed by the jack on his left, and he made a

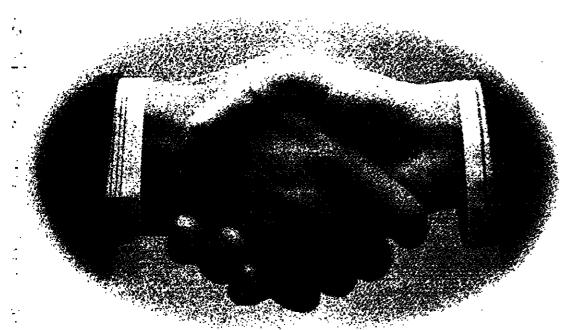
West fell into the trap and played low, and the nine held the trick. Saving time, South showed his hand and claimed the double slam, announcing that he would discard a club on hearts with a club

brilliant deceptive play: At the third trick he led the beart nine.



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